# The Way We Were

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## 1997 Shield

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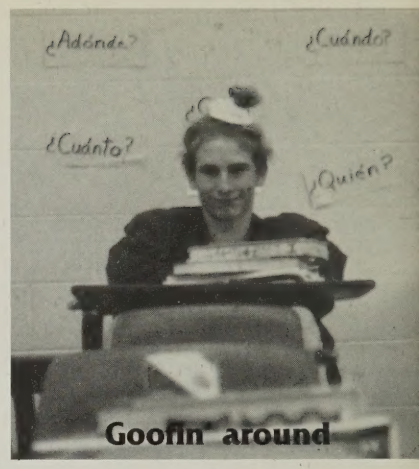

Goofin' around

**Relivin' and addin' to the memories.**

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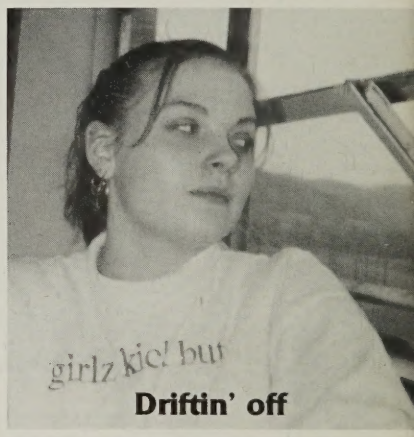

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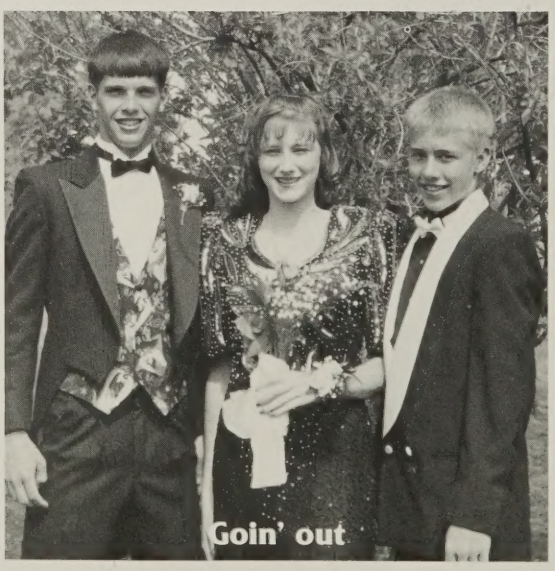
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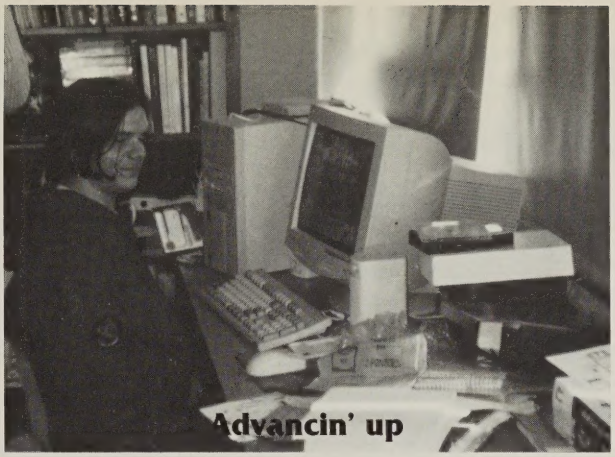
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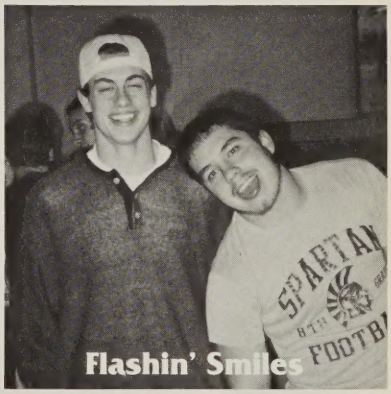
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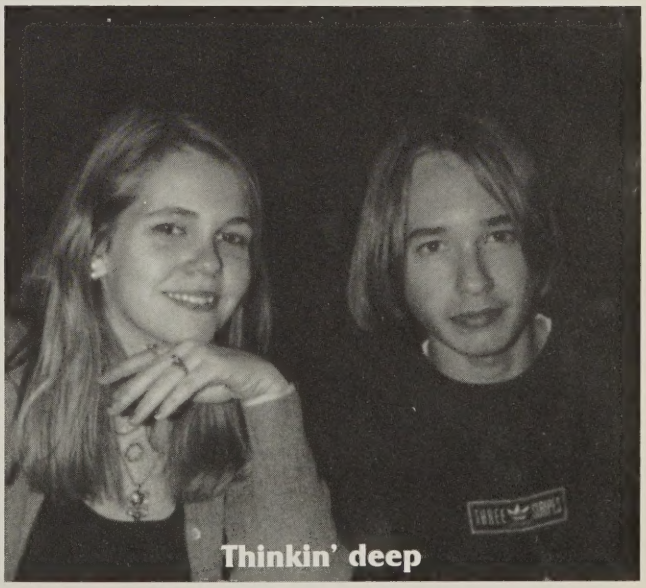
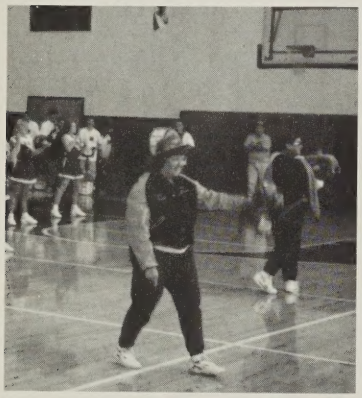

Thinkin' deep

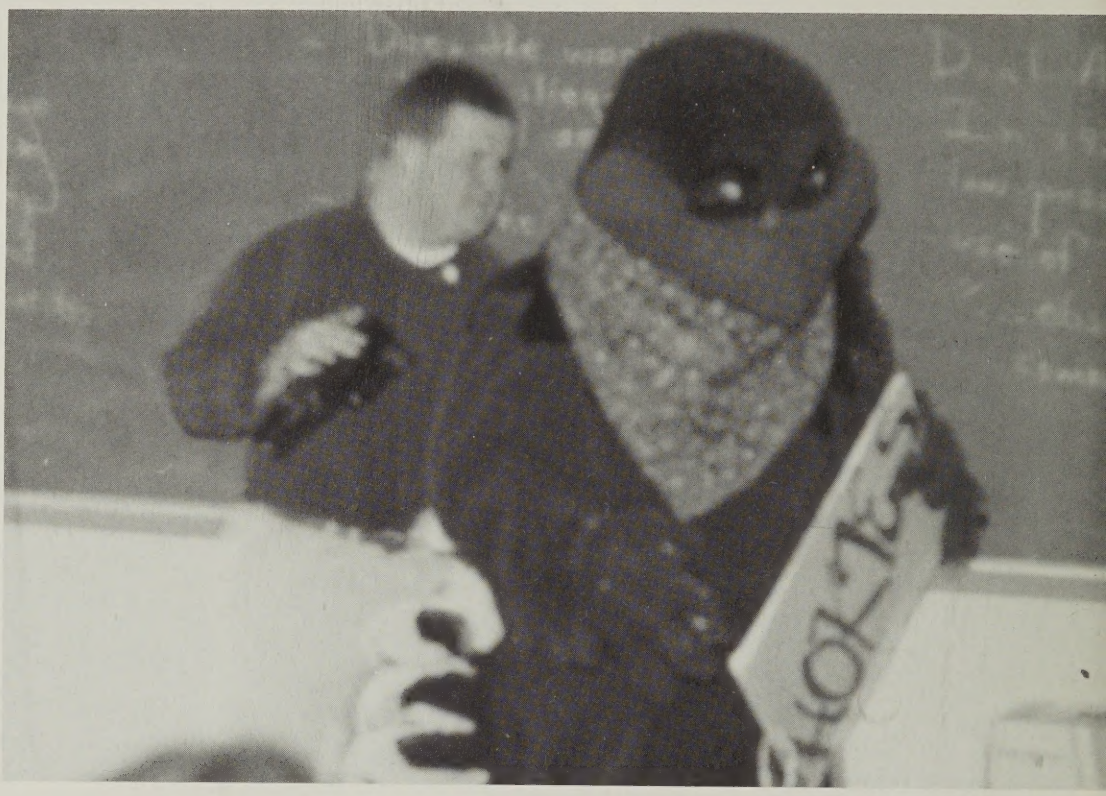
# S Is for Spirit: Spartan Style

*Encouragement echoes from road signs to fashions.*

**Bobcat Taunting**
During the Homecoming Pep Rally, in which the football team prepares to battle the Radford Bobcats, Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Lynch flaunt stuffed Bobcats before the players.

**Fan rivalry**
Mr. McGraw, a die-hard WVA Mountaineer fan gets an unexpected visit from the Virginia Tech Hokie Bird. Mr. Strader has his camera on hand to film his moment of rival victory.

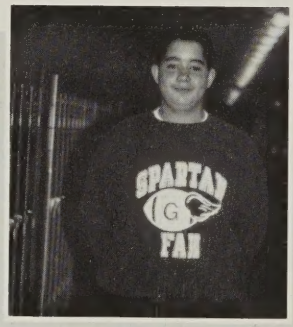




## *Spirit Days*

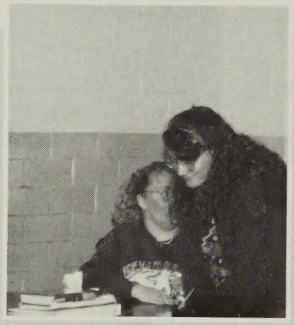
**Hide not the pride**

During Camouflage Day, seniors Whitney Matlock and Carrie Williams don camouflage as a message to the Spartans that "We're proud of our Team!" The spirit could not be hidden.



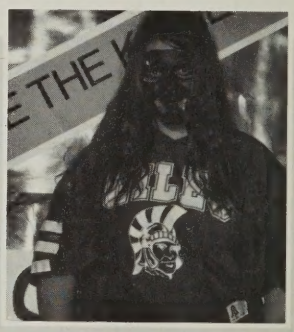

**Win? No Sweat!**

A lot of students participate in Warm-up Day. Here Michael Dickenson fulfills the duty of getting the message across, "It will be 'no sweat' beating the opposition."



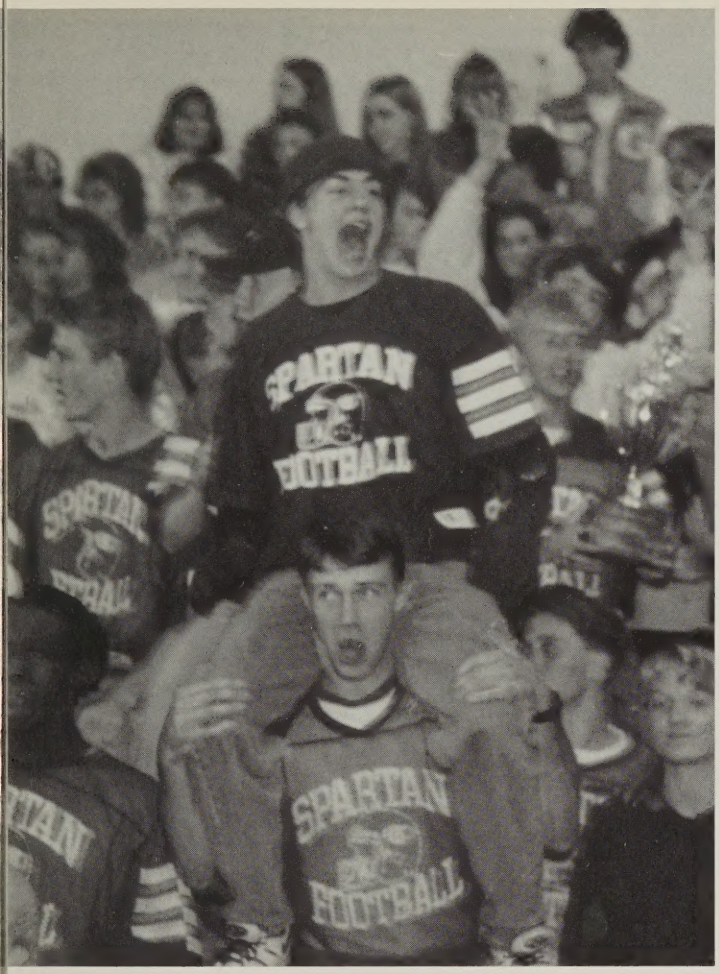
**Silver Bells**

The students cannot hear the peal of silver bells over the LOUD chimes of triumph. During both lunches, students who participate in the dress-up days are eligible to win prizes from the pep club.

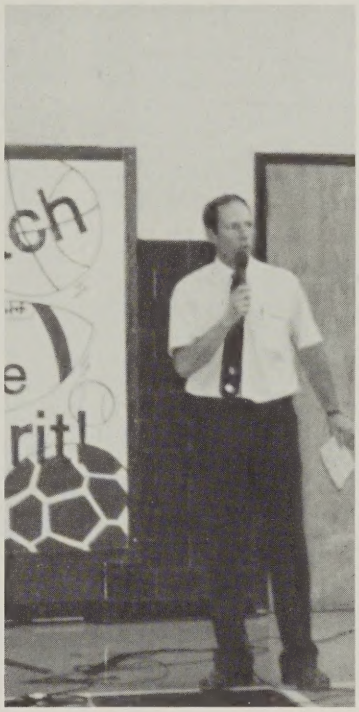


**Show your support**

Students are urged to "Jersey" their favorite player. Jennifer Cunningham goes an extra step on the Spirit ladder by having her face painted. This just goes to show that one can never have too much spirit!

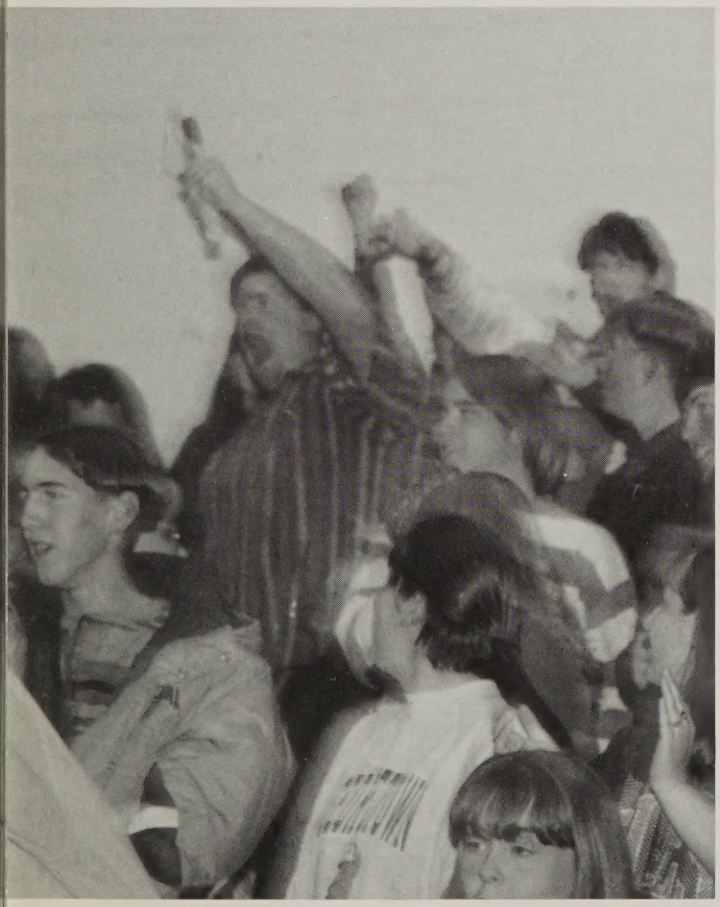


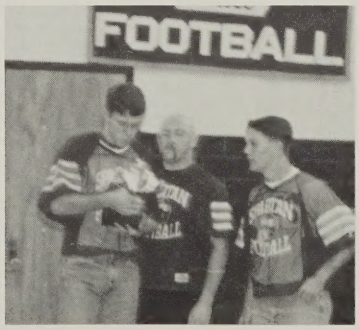

**The Emotions Build**
A favorite event in a Pep Rally is the Spirit Competition between grade levels. This particular day Seniors Chris Ratcliffe and Chris Hutchison have lots to cheer about with a new trophy to be put on display.



**Now Hear This**
Coach Ragsdale spotlights the football team's accomplishments. As the season progressed the chance to "win it all" became more than just a dream . . . it became a reality.

**Jump To It**
Junior Amy Ryder can't come down from her high spirits. The cheerleaders had no problems getting these fans hyped up this year.






**A Sign of Promise**
As the Spartans move closer to the championship game, the spirit increases. Signs spring up all around the county encouraging the players to "Go! Fight! Win!"

**Who's the Best?**
One can say the Spartan football team is responsible for this wild frenzy as they continue a huge winning streak to the top. The Spartans remain undefeated so far.

**We've Got Spirit How 'Bout You**
Senior Tripp Bane proclaims the victory of the Senior class in the Spirit Competition. Each Pep Rally a spirit stick is given to whichever class that can cheer the loudest for the Spartans.

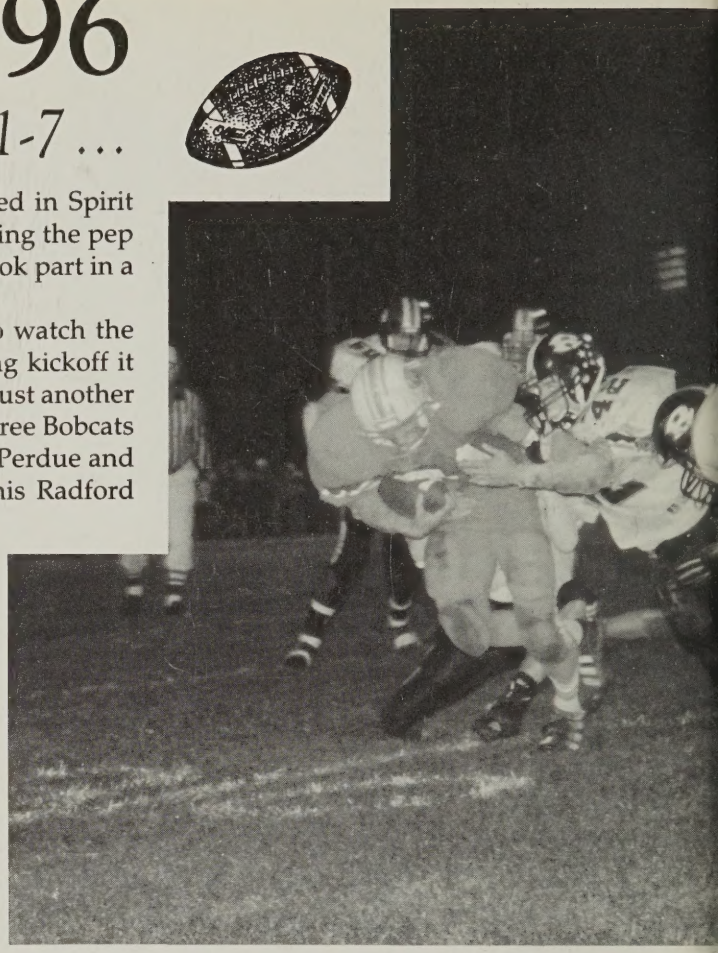
# Homecoming 1996

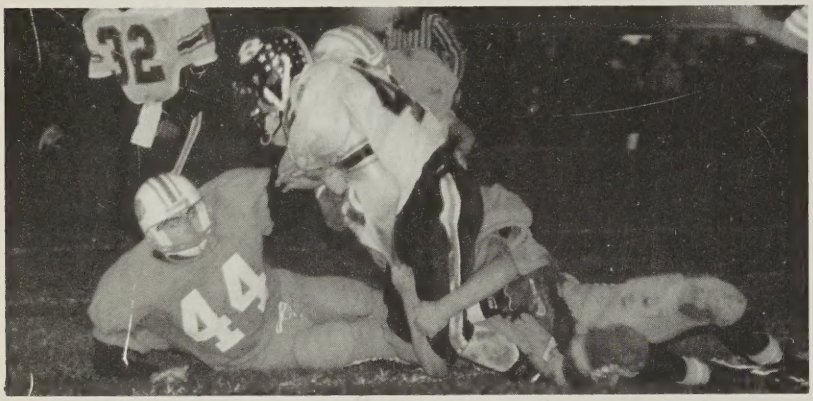
## *Giles Dominates the Radford Bobcats 41-7 ...*

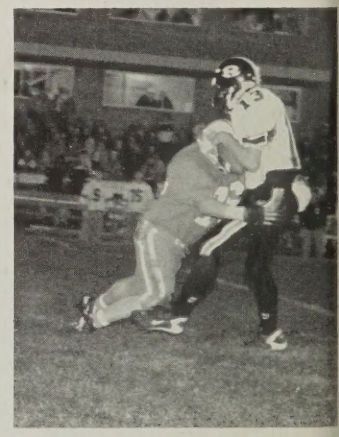


Spartan spirit had been in the air all week as students participated in Spirit Week. Students wore everything from dress clothes to pajamas. During the pep rally the cheerleaders performed their new routine as the students took part in a spirit contest.

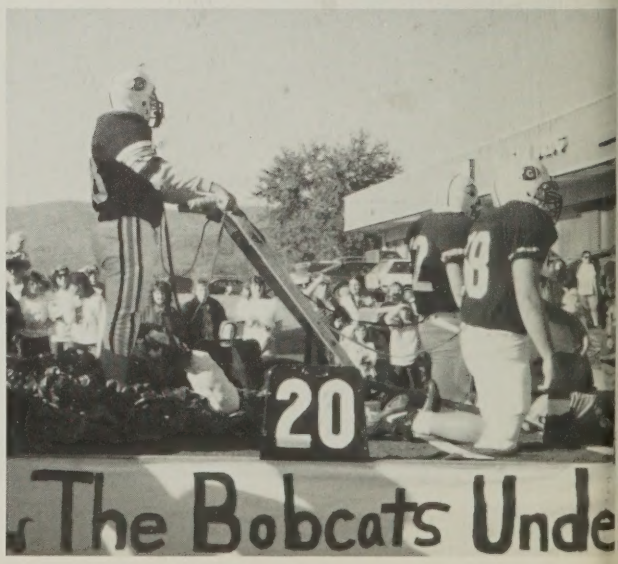
That cool night in October, Spartan fans came from all around to watch the match-up between Giles and the Radford Bobcats. After the opening kickoff it appeared that the game would be tough, but it was soon found to be just another Spartan victory. Pictured in the center, junior Shaun Vaught drags three Bobcats toward another score to help seal another TRD win. Below: Michael Perdue and fellow teammates show their excellent defense by pulling down this Radford player.

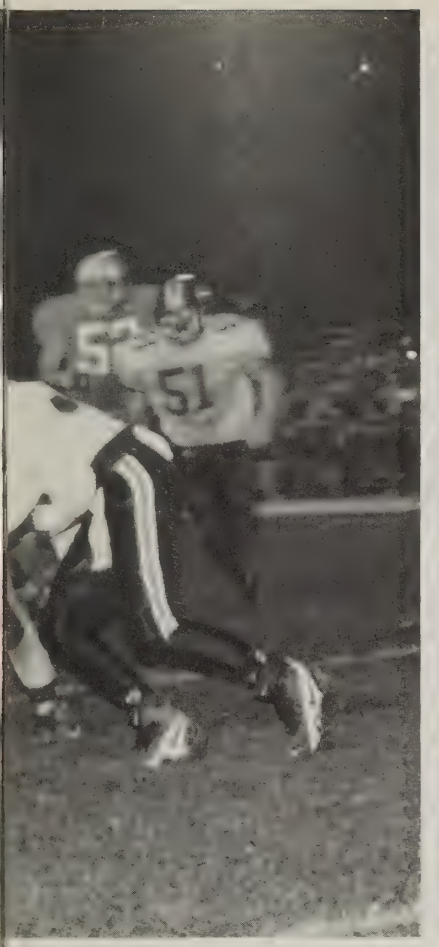






Clockwise from above: **SHISH-KABOBCATS** Juniors show their spirit by winning the homecoming hall decorations contests. **SMILE!** Seniors smile as they gather together to celebrate homecoming one last time. **PERFECT!** Senior Chris Ruth performs a textbook tackle against a Radford player. **PLOW THE BOBCATS UNDER.** The FFA float takes first honor in the Homecoming Parade. **SECOND PLACE.** The Spanish club takes this honor with their theme "Cage the Bobcats."





Counter-clockwise from left: Senior Chris Ratcliffe turns a corner for a first down against the Radford Bobcats. **CAN'T HIDE THEIR SPARTAN SPIRIT!** Front Row: Kelly Young, Patty Taylor, Harmony Newman, Chrissy Johnson, Allan Sissler. Back Row: Chris Perdue, Jamie Stephens, Scott Hetherington, Jared Taylor, Will Topp, and George Merrix. **SHOWING SPIRIT!** Seniors Karrah Dunn and Whitney Matlock wear their pajamas during Spirit Week. "Putting the Bobcats to sleep."

Clockwise from above: Senior Princesses Jessica Clark, escorted by Clay Davis, and Cherad Woodyard, escorted by Adam Jones. Junior Princesses Tarah Phillips, escorted by Michael Hartley and Suzanne Smith escorted by Josh Williams. Tenth grade princess Kelly Perdue, escorted by Trey David. Ninth grade princess Crystal Perdue, escorted by Clint Batson. Eighth grade princess Amanda Price, escorted by Ricky Tawney. Crown barriers are Cassie Martin and Stephan Frazier. Pictured at the right is the 1996 Homecoming Queen Nichole Jones escorted by Jimmy Smith.

Matt Whitehead, Karen Hudson, Jenny Buchanan, Jessica Clark, Angela Fraley, Tarah Phillips, and Leslie Houck smile for a photo after arriving in Merida, the first of three cities they would see.

Justin Bostic, Chris Hutchison, Zeb Bowden, Robbie Claytor, Matt Whitehead, Seth Bandy, and other Spanish students wait for the next plane during one of six plane changes. These plane rides were a first for many of the students.

Spanish students learn about the culture of

# MEXICO

and have a great time experiencing it first hand!

## Dates: June 24 — July 1, 1996

Juniors Amber Jones, Jackie Phillips, Sheri Miller, and Jenny Buchanan pause from their site seeing to take a picture with their teacher Señora Kraft and her daughter, Shawndra. The group was constantly on the move viewing historical scenery to recreation and entertainment activities.

Seniors Jamie Jennell, Michele Johnston, and Jessica Clark living it up in Cancún. Between mornings on the beach and evening shopping excursions, the group enjoyed The Hard Rock Cafe, Planet Hollywood, and a variety of Mexican cuisine.

Señor Justin Bostic displays his broken hand and souvenir sombrero at Chichen Itza, one of the many pyramids visited by the students. Many Mexican people earn their living selling souvenirs like blankets and sombreros to tourists.

Mrs. Snidow and her students listen to their guide, Ricardo, before ascending the accurate calendar pyramid. They learned that each of the four sides represents a season and the nine steps are for the nine days in that season.

Senior Chris Hutchison soars in the air while playing hacky sack with his buds before dinner one night. The group got the chance to interact with Mexican children. They loved American hacky sacks, slinkees, and yo-yos.

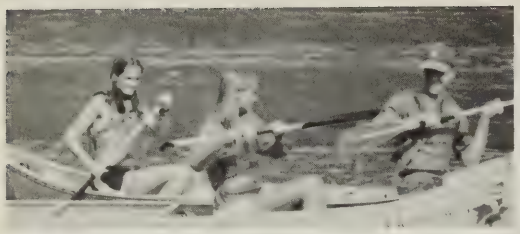
Michele Johnston "slinkees" down one of the steep pyramids in Mexico. Many of the students brought along their own slinkee to attempt the "Ace Ventura Thing." Although most were unsuccessful, they had a blast chasing the toys down the ancient ruin.

"I loved it! I'd give anything to go back right now. One of my favorite things was having my friends like Robbie there. We got to spend a lot of time just girl watching and goofing off on the beaches! It was great!" — Landon Cassidy

"I'm so glad Mrs. Kraft got to go with us. We all realized how much we would miss her next year. She was so much fun. Sometimes it seemed like she were just 'one of the kids.' " — Wendy Snidow

"We learned a lot down there. It was fun swimming in a cave, climbing pyramids, relaxing on the beach, dancing at Pancho's, and just being away from the United States for a while." — Chris Hutchison and Matt Whitehead

"Zzzzzzzz . . ." — Many of the students found it hard to stay awake by the last day. The flight left Cancún at 6 am and most just wanted to go back to bed.



# SEAHORSE WAY.

## Anything But Lazy Summer Days

Summer is a great time to spend with friends and/or to make new ones. A great way to meet people is at camp. Senior Laura Martin is surrounded by new friends she met at Summer Governor School (right). Senior Shannon Bohn gets ready for her weekly Wise County drive with fellow Camp Bethel employees (below right). Juniors Derrick Lang, Brandon Williams, Derrick Wilson, and Shawn Vaught display their athletic profile after an aggressive game of basketball (below).

Some Spartans take time out of their vacations to work, either for financial benefits or as volunteers. Junior Amber Jones reveals her artistic talent as she helps renovate the Bandanna Bar (left). Seniors Jodi Mullins and Karrah Dunn take a break from all the action during a pool party at the Country Club. Senior Sandra Ratcliff and alumnus Matt Marshall have a perfect view of Myrtle Beach.

The scenery is always spectacular during this time of year. Senior Landon Cassidy enjoys the view at Claytor Lake in a different way . . . interactively (top left). Seniors Robbie Claytor and Carrie Williams get a glimpse of the view from the top of Wayne's World Roller Coaster at Carowinds before plunging, full speed, to the depths below (top right). Senior Sarah Vest is completely at ease as she rests from a strenuous day at Camp Bethel (top middle). Seniors Michele Johnston and Kelly Eaton and sophomores Ashley Jamison, Holly McCall, and Ashley Williams get a kids-eye view of the world in McDonald's ball pool (center).

As the summer sun shines powerfully in the humid sky, students find relief in the cool water. Seniors Matt Whitehead and Whitney Matlock recuperate from another school year by floating around in the pool (bottom middle). Senior Jenny Burn allows herself to be "carried away" by a wave machine at Kentucky Kingdom (bottom right). Athletes, such as Senior Adam Jones and Junior Jason Taylor, prepare for the upcoming season by attending camps that specialize in their sport (bottom left). Photos and layout: Shannon Bohn

# FASHION

## What's HOT

Corduroy, overalls, B. Moss sweaters, Nike apparel, Levi jeans, team sweatshirts, warm-ups, striped shirts, velour shirts, Tommy Hilfiger jeans, CK clothing, No Fear shirts, ribbed tights, shorts, khaki, cartoon characters (Disney) apparel, tennis bracelets, Airwalks, clogs, flannel shirts, designer shoes, sandals, natural-looking makeup, chunky heels, strappy dress shoes, baby doll tees, down jackets, loafers, strait layered haircuts, wild nail polish, fleece pullovers, Silver Tab, braided belts, sports jerseys, miniature backpacks, wide leg jeans, hair claw, baseball hats.

Top: Mr. Ventry's fourth period Chemistry class show off their fashionable clothes. Bottom left: Chris Ruth models his interesting but different styles of clothing. Bottom right: "It takes a real man to wear a flowered colored tie."

Senior guys have just enough time to pose for a picture before heading back out on the dance floor.

# TRENDS

## What's NOT

Highwaters, "daisy dukes", broomstick skirts, French cuffs, grunge, jeans with holes, 80's hairdos, chains, bajas, dark roots, cowboy boots and hats, heavy make-up, ruffles and lace, pouffy prom sleeves, split ends, gym clothes during school, blue-green — etc. colored hair, tan-in-a-bottle, black lace up the sides of jeans, spandex, 70's flower patterns, black and navy together, tattoos (permanent and stick-on), black lipstick, powder white faces, greasy hair, dreadlocks, tongue piercing.

## PRICES

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| Prom dress | $200.00 |
| Nike shoes | $ 65.00 |
| Levi jeans | $ 35.00 |
| Tuxedo | $100.00 |
| CK shirt | $ 20.00 |
| Tommy jeans | $ 48.00 |
| GHS warm-ups | $ 45.00 |
| B. Moss sweater | $ 40.00 |
| No Fear shirt | $ 15.00 |
| Haircut | $ 10.00 |
| Team sweatshirt | $ 25.00 |

Top right: These "models" hairstyles may one day turn out to be the hottest trend. Top left: Carrie Cooper, Michelle Chidester, and Rachel Mann share logo shirts as well as a muscular appearance. Bottom: Are these guys going hunting, or are they just wearing their favorite outfits? Layout and copy by Holly Johnson.

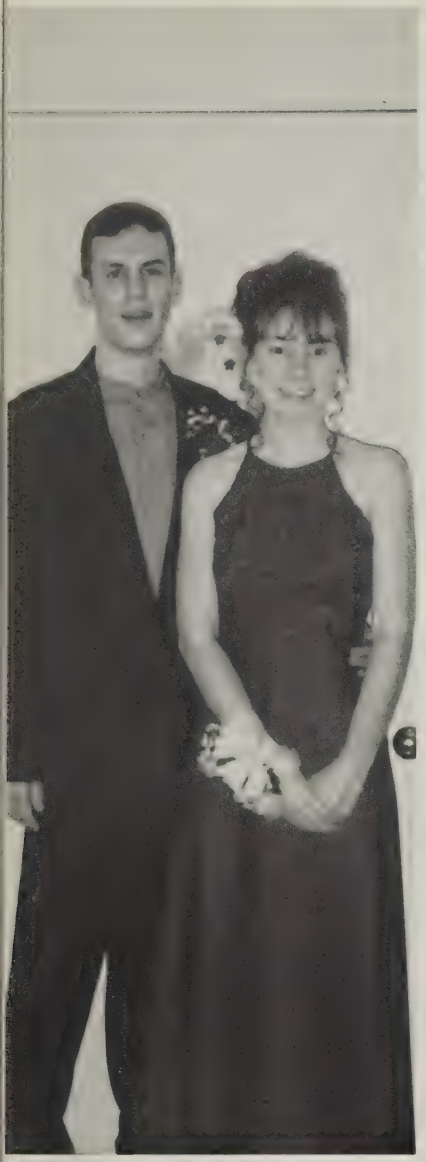
# Snow Court

Sophomore Leslie Perdue dances to the music of the popular new hit "Macarena." Right: Seniors B.J. Evans and Matt Whitehead relax while their dates dance to a fast song. Below: Snow Court Queen Whitney Matlock and her date, Shaun Vaught

Freshman Steven Linkous and sophomore Lori Marion pause for a quick picture before entering the cafeteria, decorated in a "Winter Wonderland". Left: Seniors Russell Bowling and Amy Wilson spent time together at Amy's house before going to Snow Court.

Senior sweethearts Cherad Woodyard and Adam Jones cherish each others company at their last Snow Court together.

Juniors Becky McCracken and Heather Austin take pictures in front of Becky's Christmas tree while waiting for their dates to arrive. Above: Juniors Suzanne Smith, Josh Williams, Kenny Dove and his date, relax and talk at their table.



unior couple Jason Taylor and Amber Jones pose for one last picture before heading out the door to enjoy the evening.

1996 Snow Court Queen . . . Senior Whitney Matlock with escort junior Shaun Vaught.

Senior Princess . . . Megan Noble with escort senior Landon Cassidy.

Senior Princess . . . Jessica Clark with escort junior Clay Davis.

Junior Princess . . . Kelly Myers with escort junior Jason Edwards.

Junior Princess . . . Sarah Lucas with escort freshman Russ Johnston.

Junior Princess . . . Keeley Athey with escort junior Justin Williams.

# Friends

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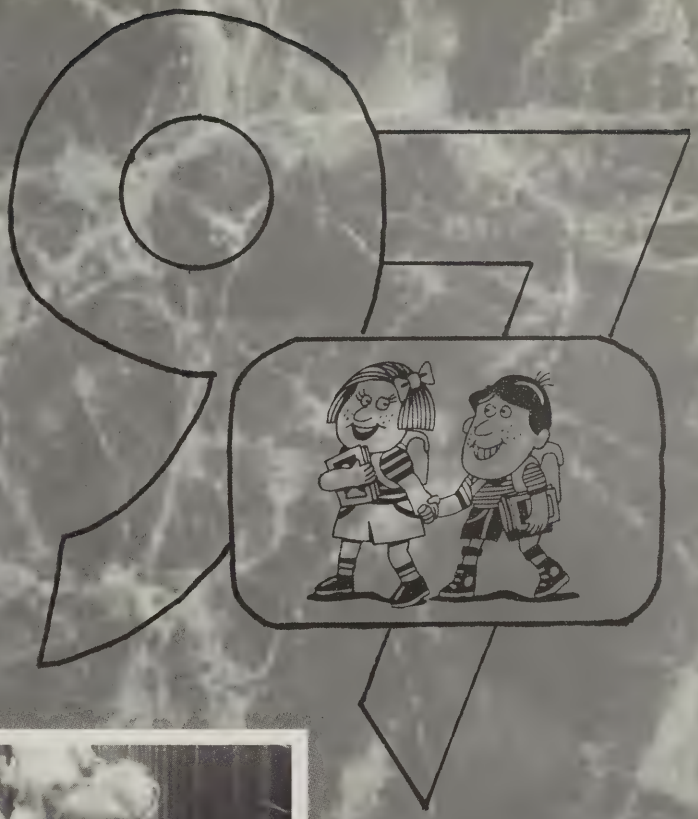

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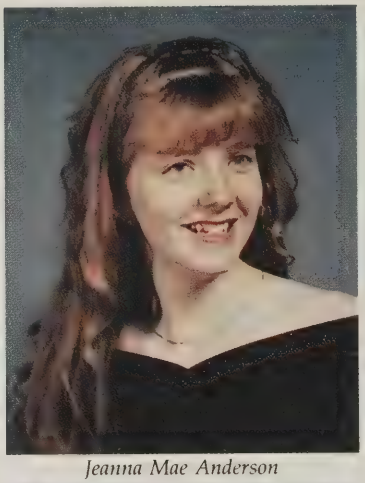
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Christopher Troy Bales

Robin Lynn Ballard

Lewis Thomas Bane III

Mindy Nicole Batson

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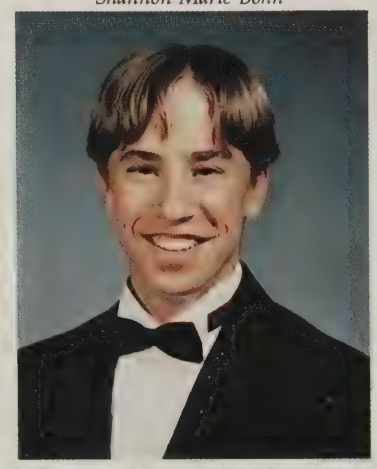
Russell Layne Bowling

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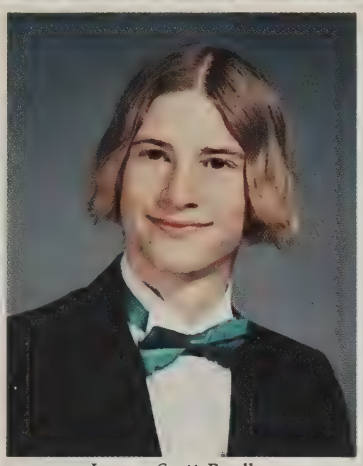
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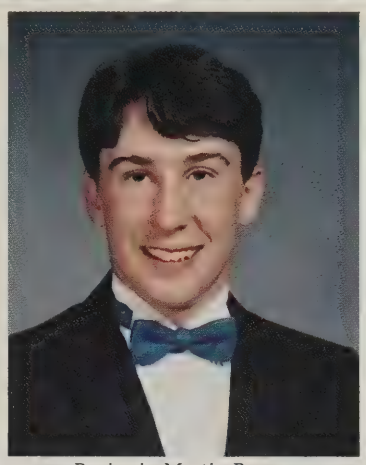
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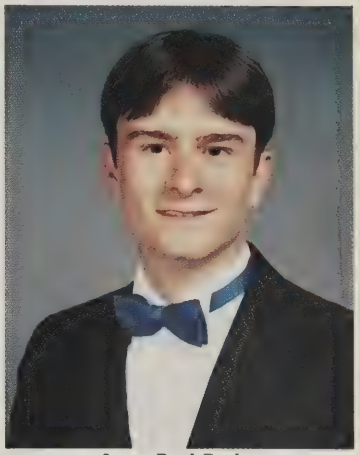
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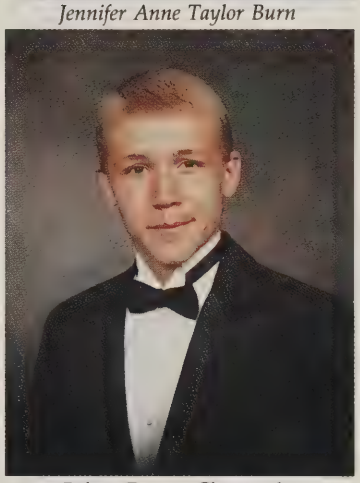
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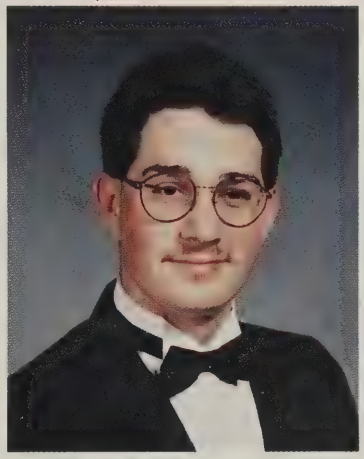
*Peter Allen Cooper III*

*Melissa Yvonne Cumbee*

*Stuart Carr Davis*

*Karrah Leigh Dunn*

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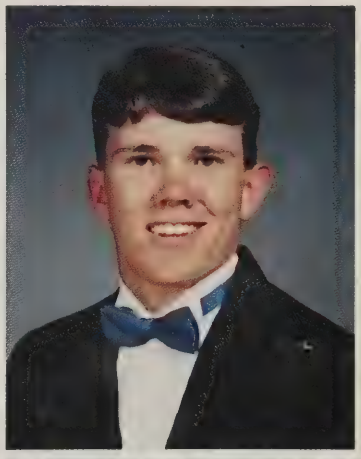
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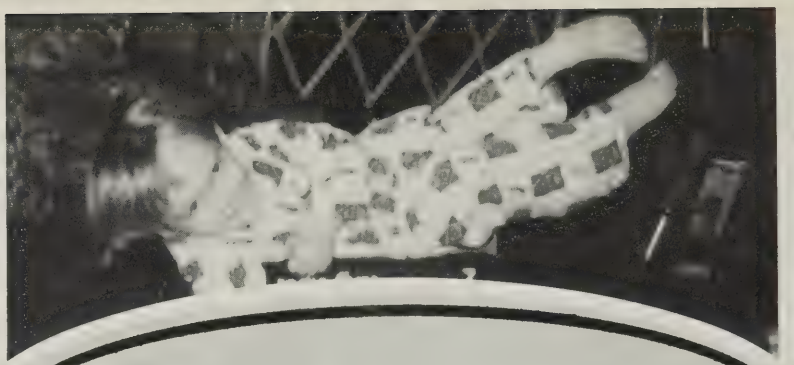

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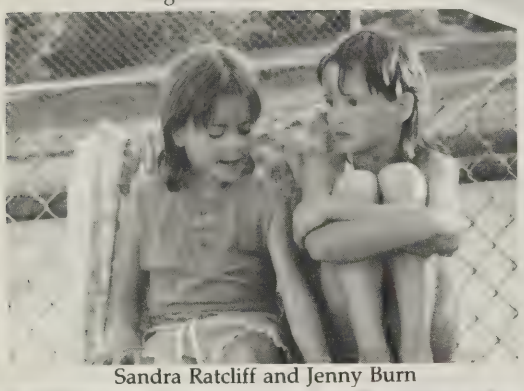
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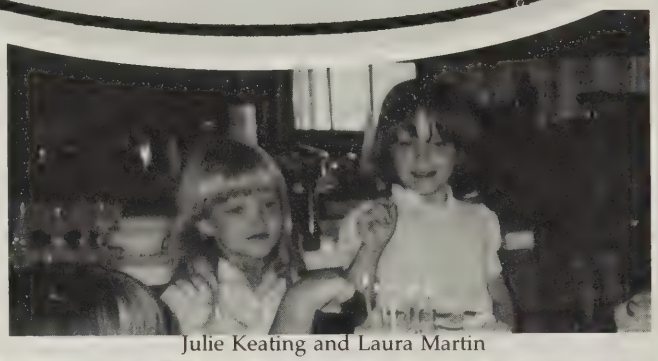
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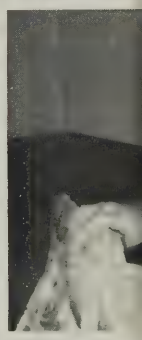

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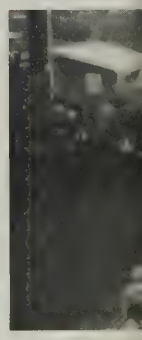

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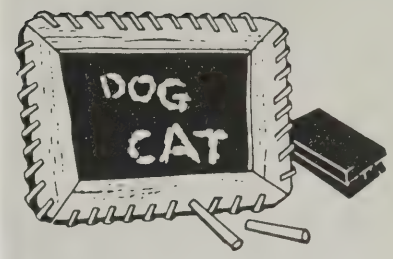


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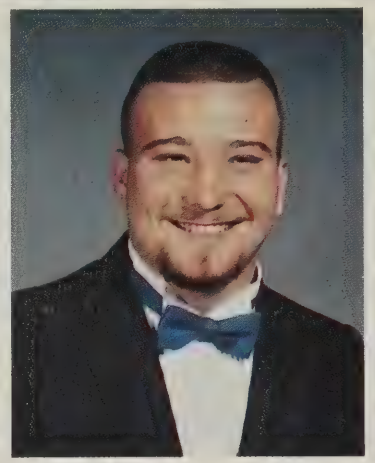
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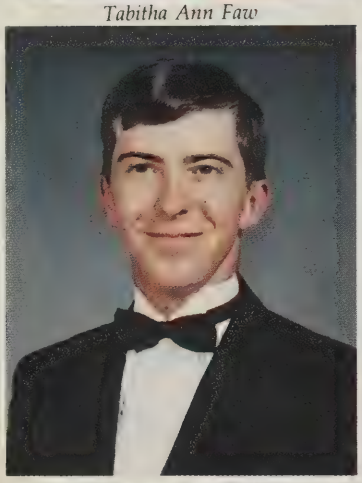
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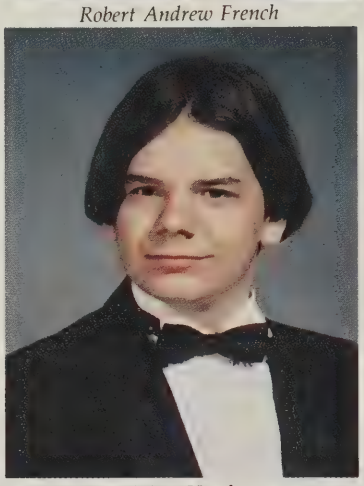
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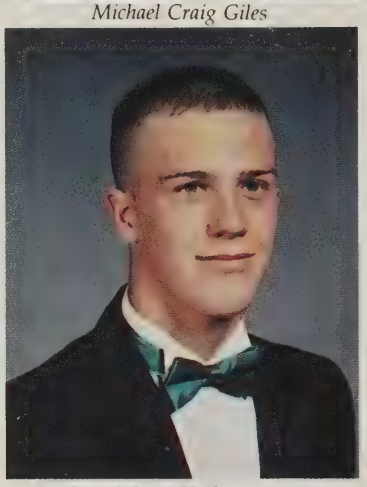
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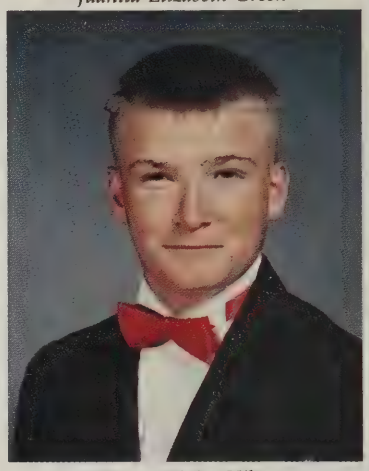
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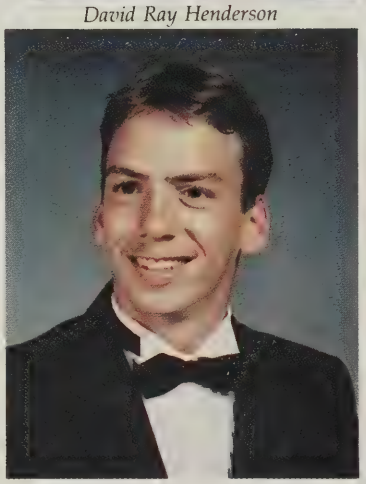
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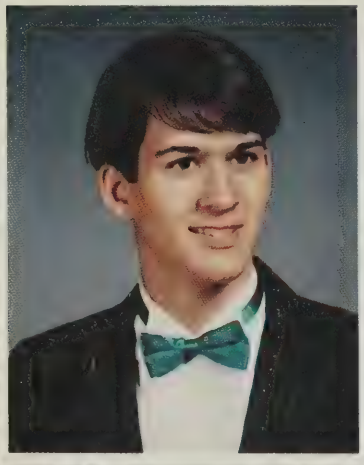
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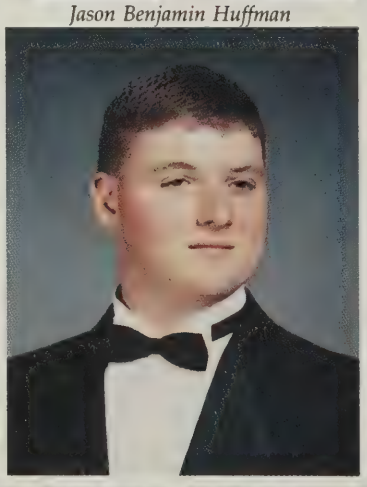
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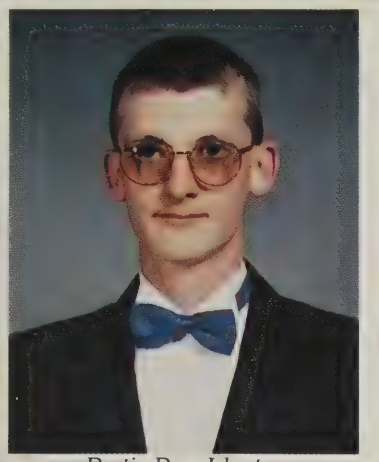
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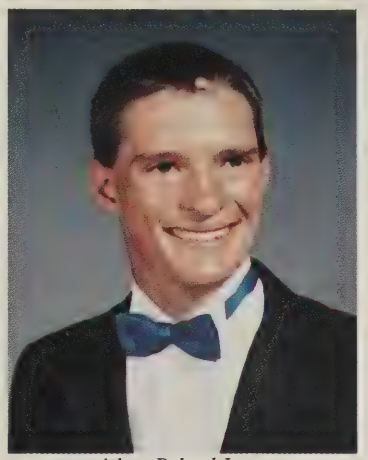
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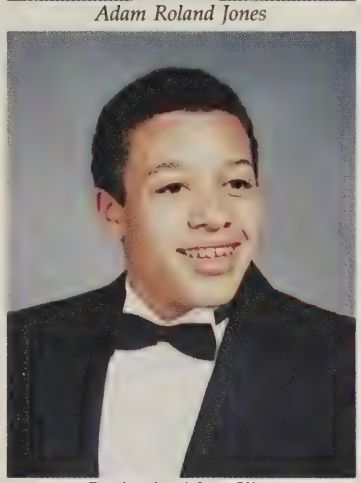
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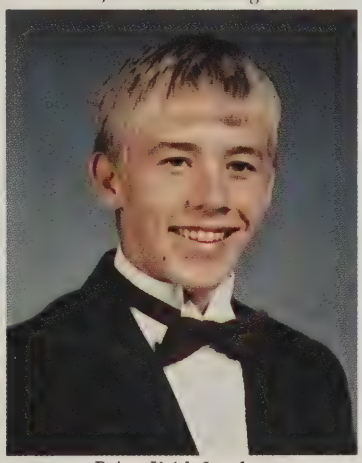
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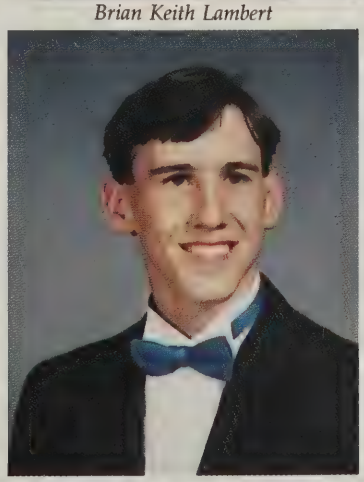
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# All Eyes on Us

**Hanging Out!**

Tripp Bane, Brad Bowles, and Mindy Batson take a break from their routine classwork to relax and pose for a quick picture.

**Goofing Off!**

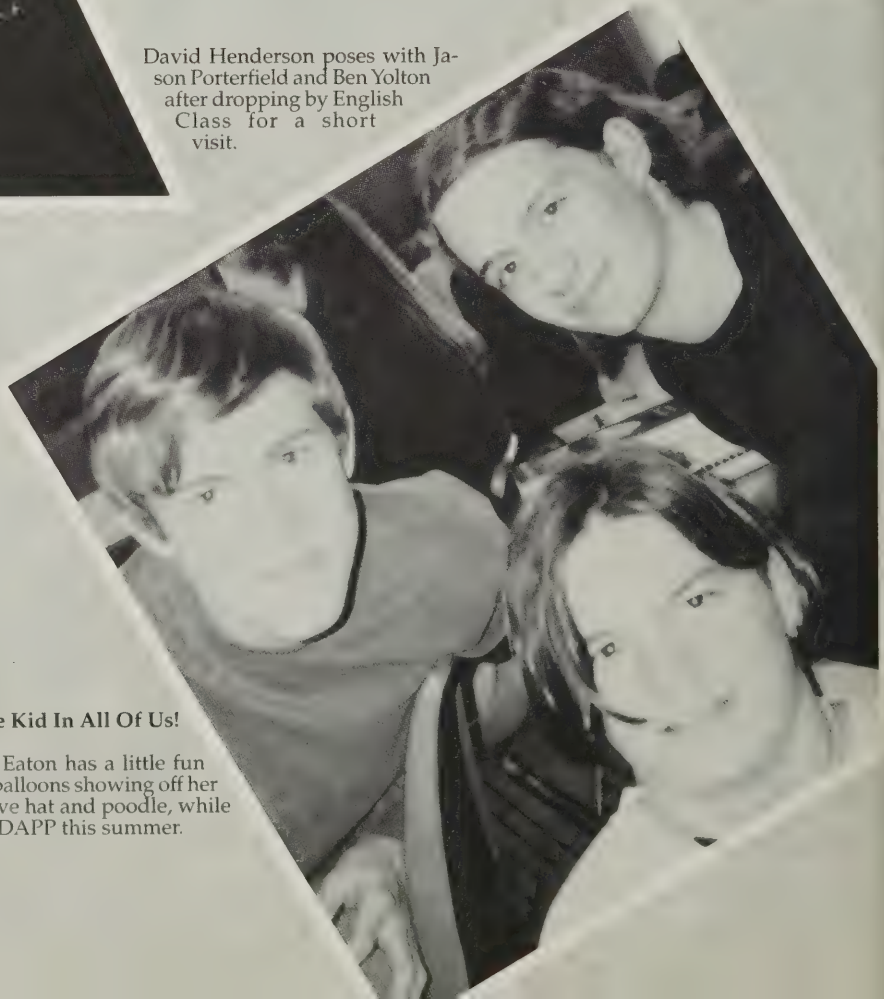
In an attempt to make class a little more entertaining, Ilse Scott, Shannon Bohn, and Laura Martin show their humorous and goofy side!

**All smiles!**

Jamie Jennell and Michele Johnston enjoy their friendship, while posing outside Hard Rock Cafe in Mexico this summer.

**Having Fun?**

David Henderson poses with Jason Porterfield and Ben Yolton after dropping by English Class for a short visit.



**The Kid In All Of Us!**

Kelly Eaton has a little fun with balloons showing off her creative hat and poodle, while at YADAPP this summer.

**Picture Perfect!**

Wendy Snidow and Jessica Clark flash their million dollar smiles for the camera. They will never forget the fun they had at Panchos in Mexico.

**Is It Really Him?**

Yes, that's really him! Nichole Jones and Cherad Woodyard enjoy having their picture taken with a host of "CBS This Morning" after the Chorale sang their theme song on T.V.

**Seniors Rule!**

Although the Homecoming dance was short, these seniors managed to make the most of their time, hanging out and having fun!

**¡Camino Fresco!**

Upon arrival to Mexico, Robbie Claytor, Matt Whitehead, and Chris Hutchison show their enthusiasm about their upcoming stay in Mexico.

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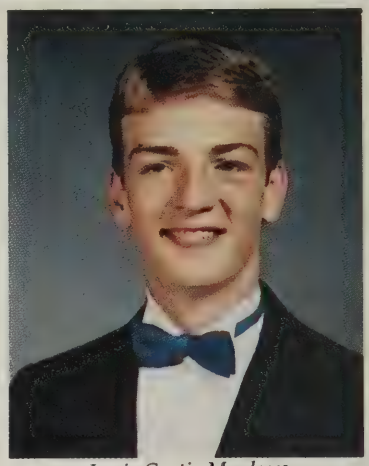
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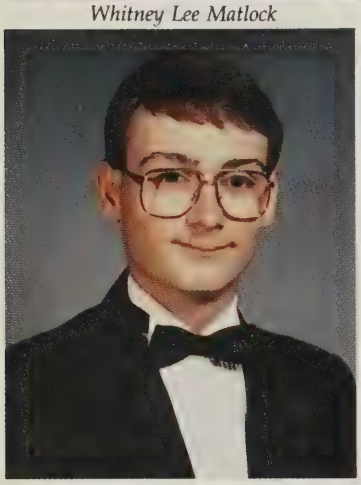
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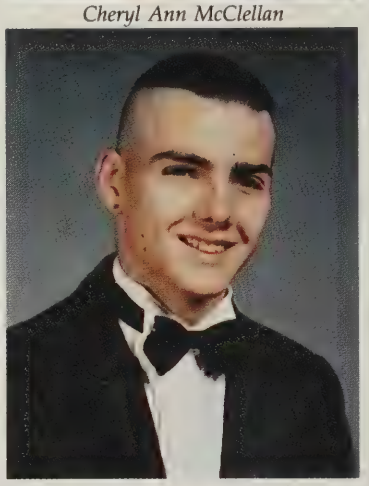
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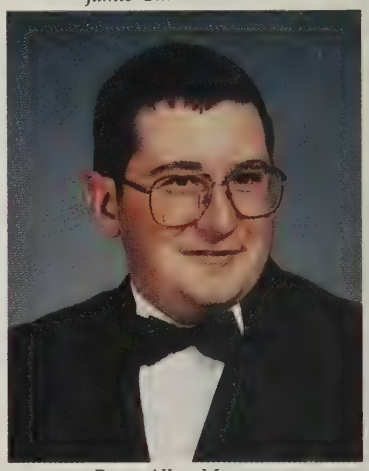
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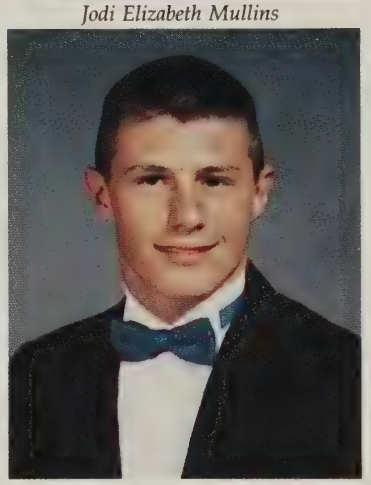
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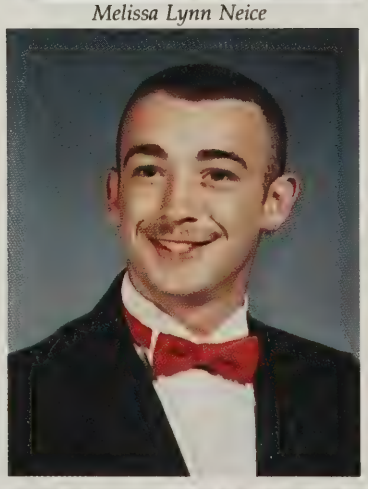
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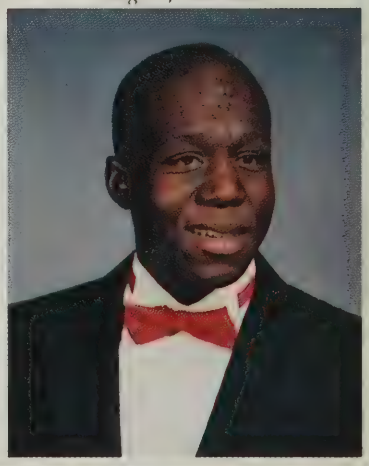
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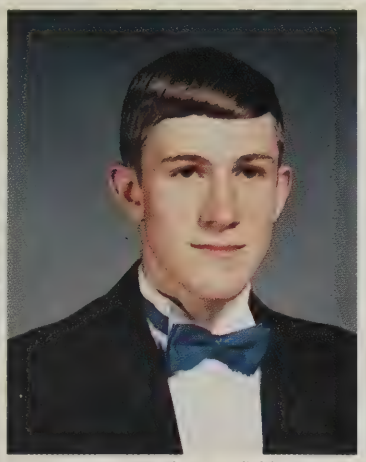
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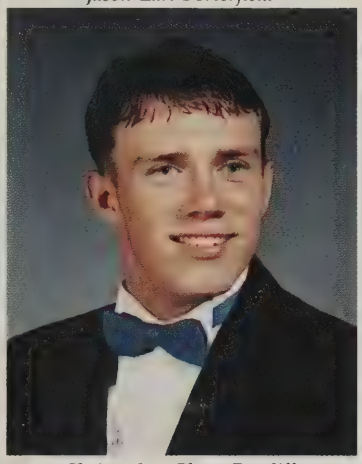
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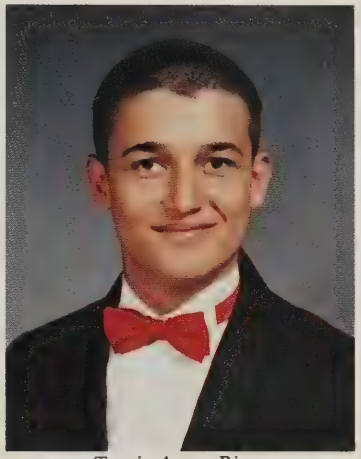
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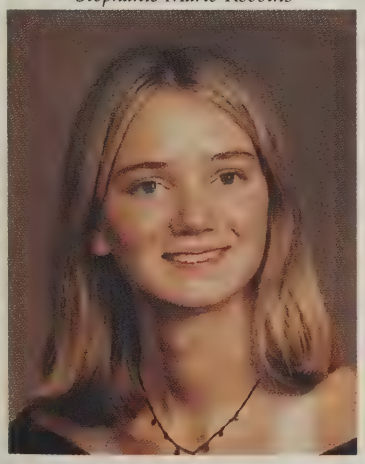
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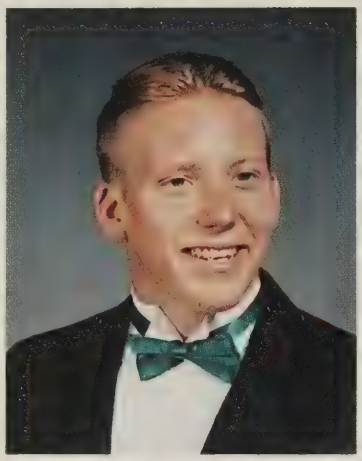
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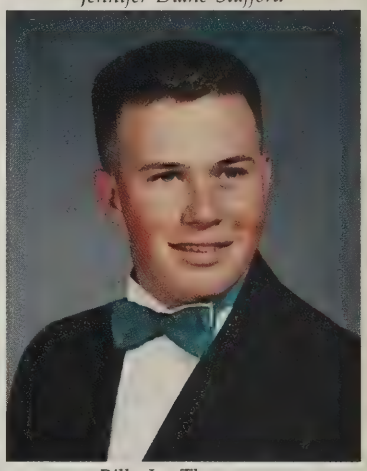
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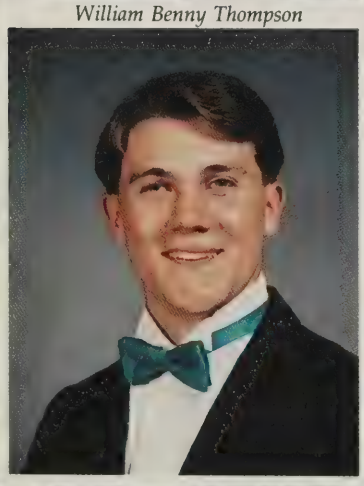
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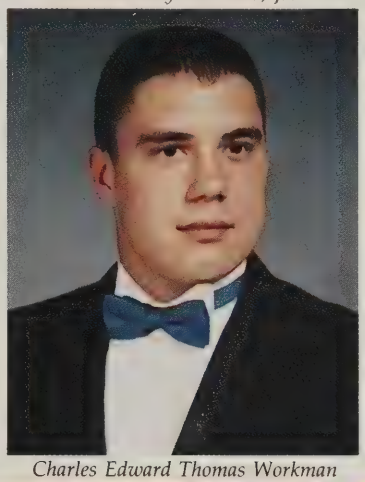
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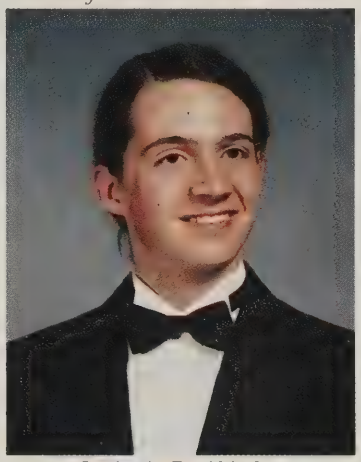
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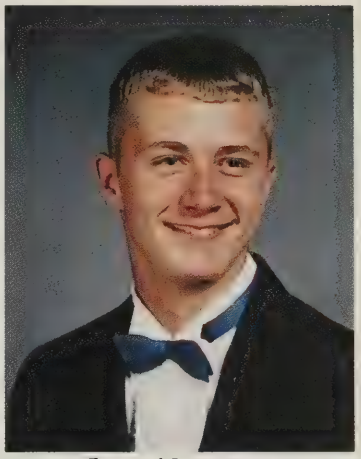
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## *Giles High Class of 1998*

Yeah, I'm the man . . . While the rest of the Spanish Club votes for officers, Michael Peoples poses for the yearbook.

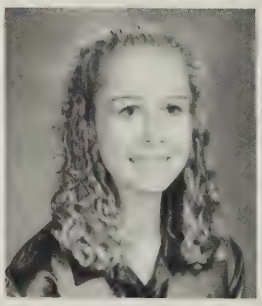
Say cheese? On Ravioli Day? While Amaris Patterson, Sarah Lucas, and Rachel Williams chat, Tracy Ervin and Keeley Athey eat their ravioli.

Buds . . . Erin Williams, Sherry Miller, Crystal Wiley, and Jenny Buchanan cram together for a picture during English.

Eric Akers

Keeley Athey

Jeffrey Atkins



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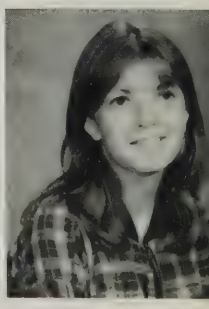

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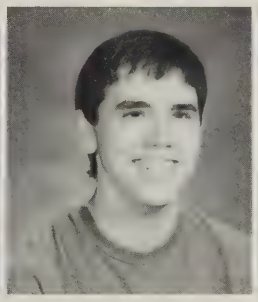
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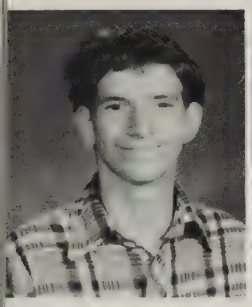
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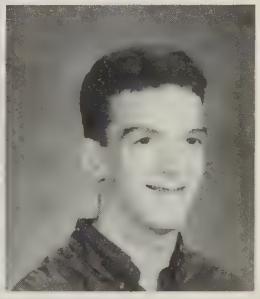
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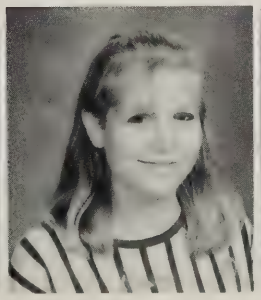
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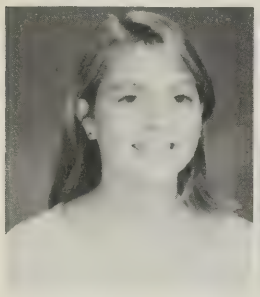
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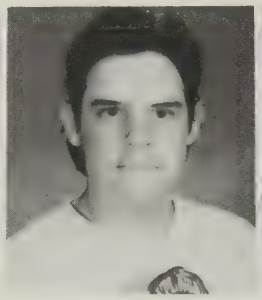
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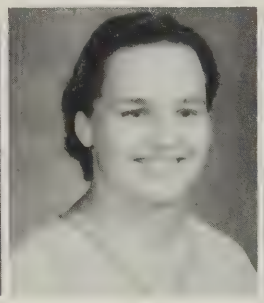
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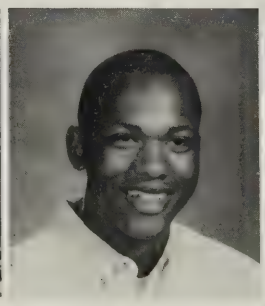
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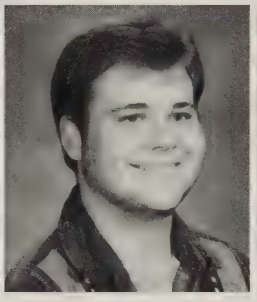
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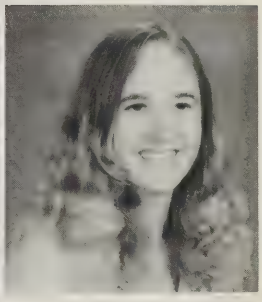
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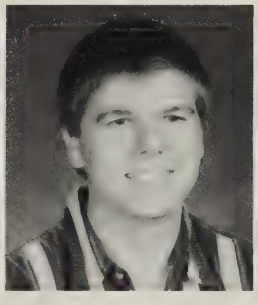
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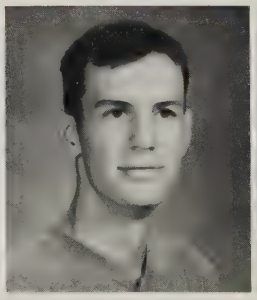
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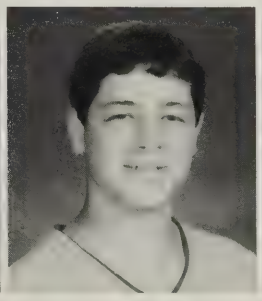
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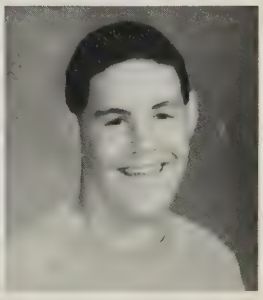
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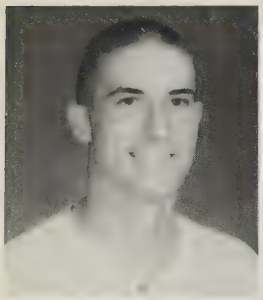
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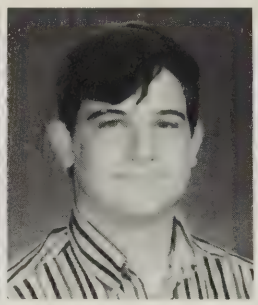
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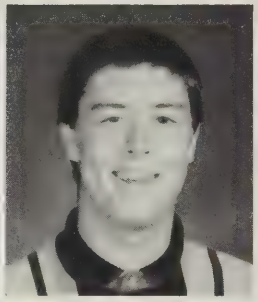
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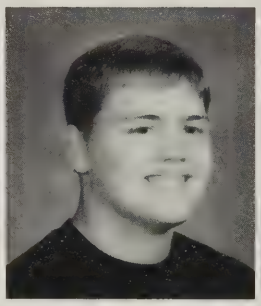

Justin Williams

Leslie Williams

Rachel Williams

Derek Wilson

A diminutive Erin Williams waves hello to the camera . . .

"What . . . I haven't done anything wrong?" . . . Derrick Lang looks as if he got caught doing something "bad" — many years ago.

Doesn't Jenny Buchanan look excited about something she probably can't even remember now . . .

"Cheese" . . . Heather Harry smiles her best smile, which was quite charming, even at the age of three.

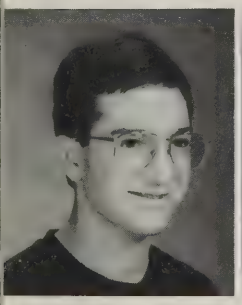
# Super Sophomores

*Sophomores are climbing the ladder*

Ahh . . . Don't they look cute at Holly McCalls 5th birthday party. (Holly McCall, Ashley Williams, Tarah Brown, Amanda McCroskey).

Happy Birthday . . . Do you think Kara Hunt was surprised more by the present or the picture?

How Sweet . . . Leslie Perdue poses for a picture at the young age of four.



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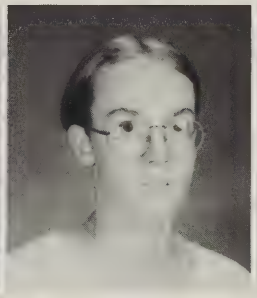

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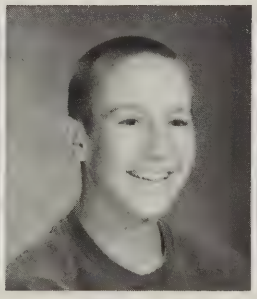

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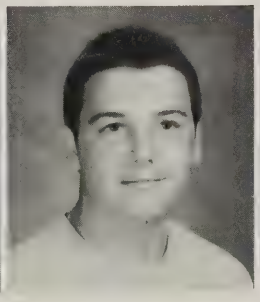

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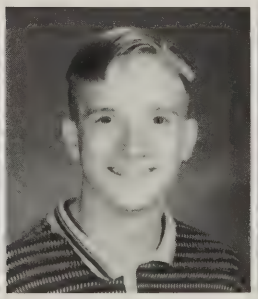

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Carl Collins

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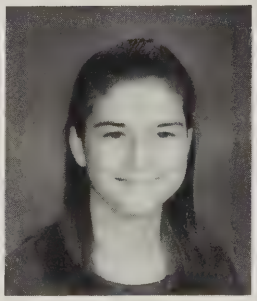
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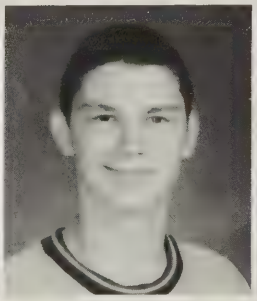
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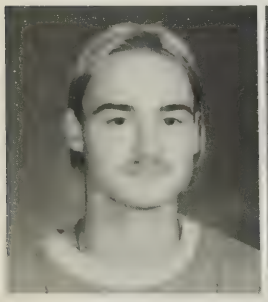
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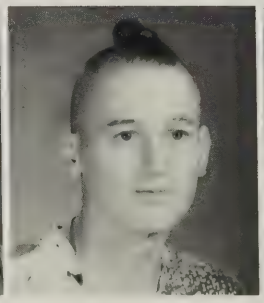
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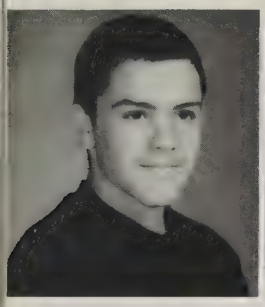
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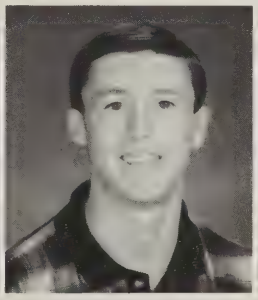
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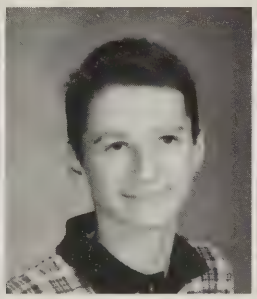
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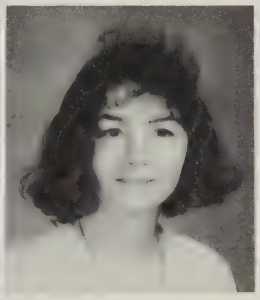
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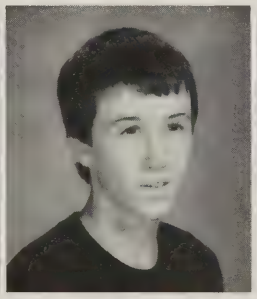
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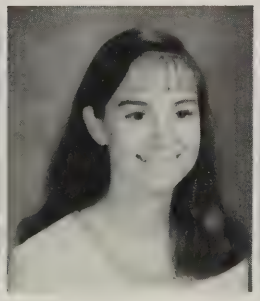
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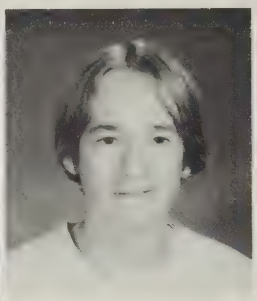
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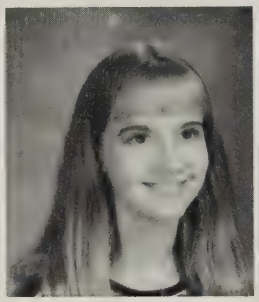
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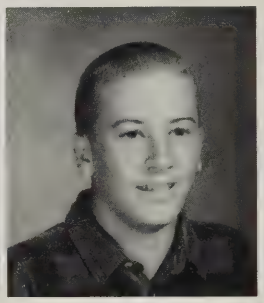
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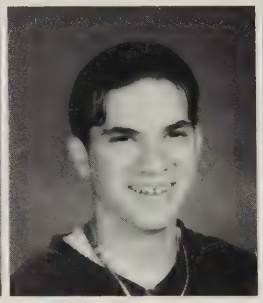
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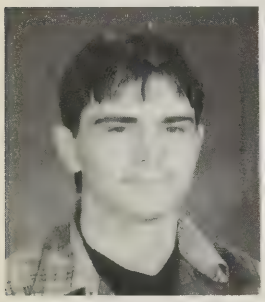
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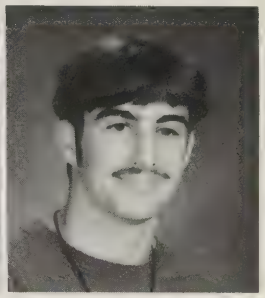
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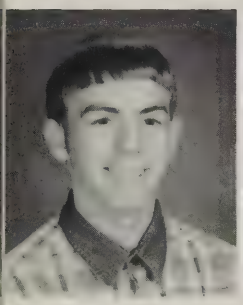
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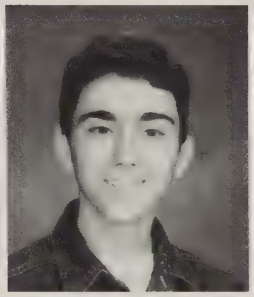
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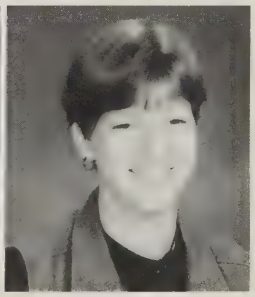
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Sarah Wilson

Mark Woodyard

Mike Woodyard

Marsha Wynn

# Ninth Grade

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Rocky Baker

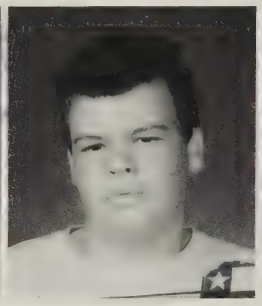
Clint Batson

Wes Beckner

Jason Belcher

Andy Bowden

Eric Burton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Tim Carbaugh

Michelle Chidester

Greg Chrupcala

Brandon Clark

David Claytor

Brook Collini

Sally Collins

Don Combs

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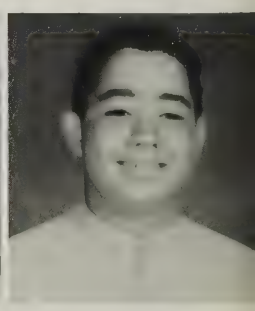
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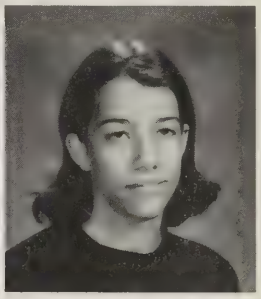
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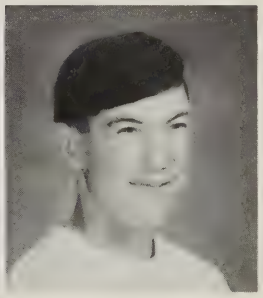
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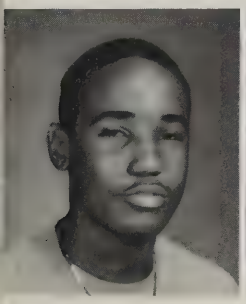
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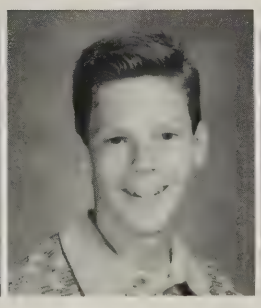
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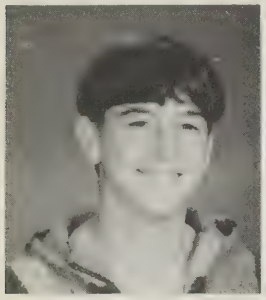
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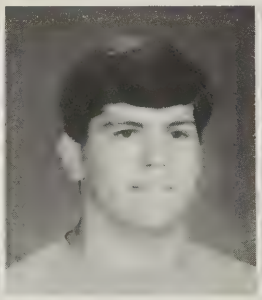
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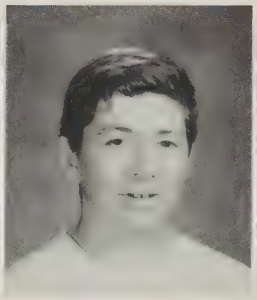
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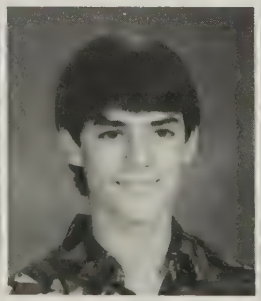
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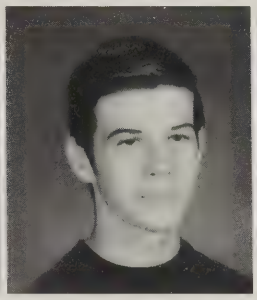
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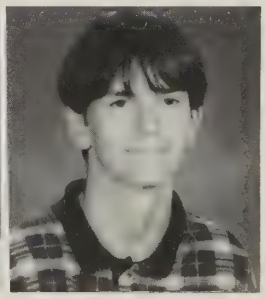
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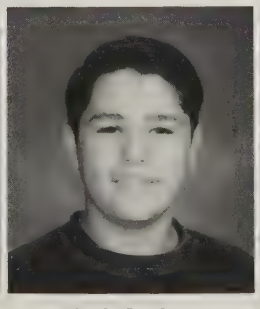
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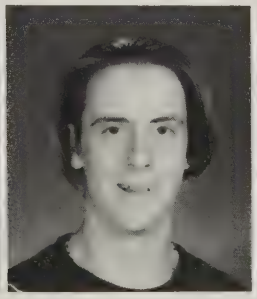
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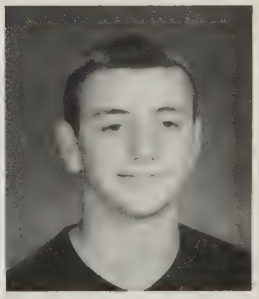
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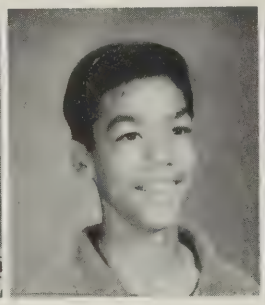
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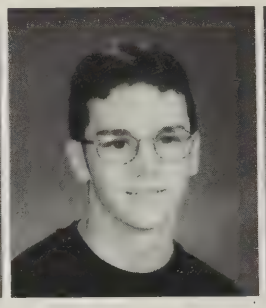
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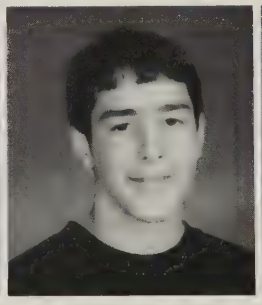
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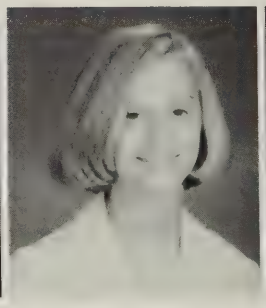

Julie Wood

Michael Worley

Dana Young

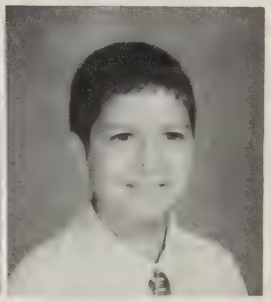
## Class of 2001 Brings in the New Century.

## Remembering What Matters.

Far Left: **IT'S SO HARD BEING CUTE!** Duaine Collins always posed for the camera as a child. Left: **I'M STUCK!** Wasn't Amanda Stevers a basketfull of joy. Below: **HI!** Aren't we cute. Chad Smith, Amanda Smith, Trey David and Duaine Collins today.

Left: **WHERE'S THE CAKE?** Chad Smith celebrates a birthday party when he was "younger." Above: **HOW DO YOU DRIVE THIS THING!** Trey David gets an early start on his driving skills.

Christopher Albert



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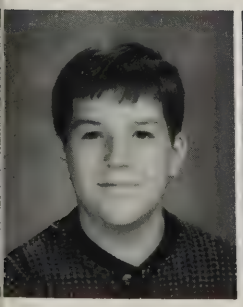

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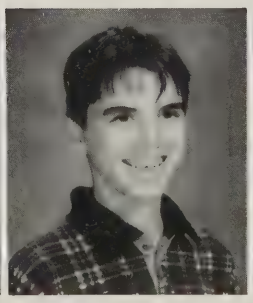

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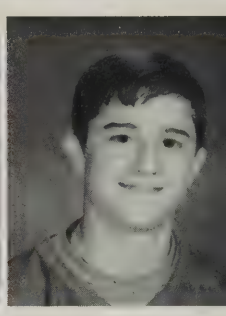
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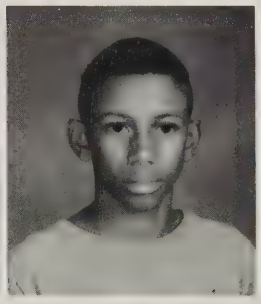
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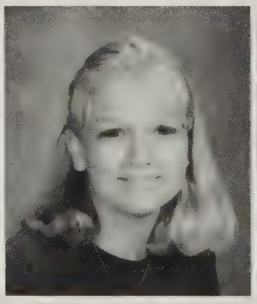
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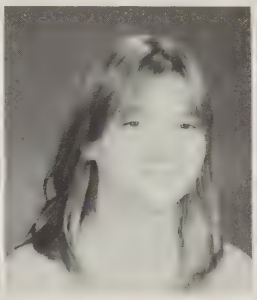
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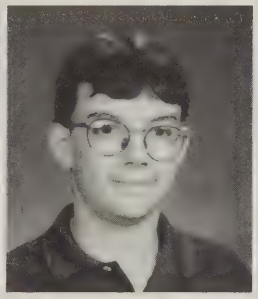
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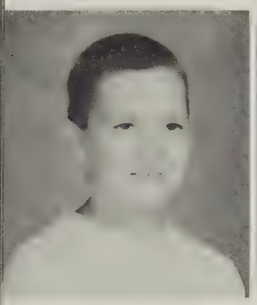
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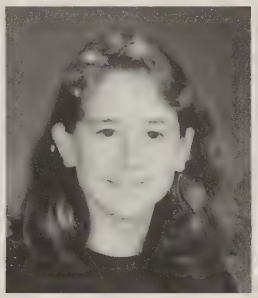
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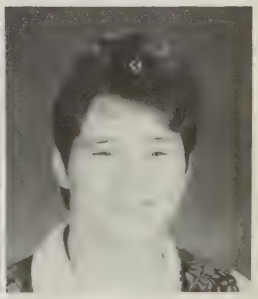
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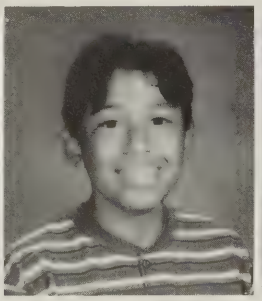
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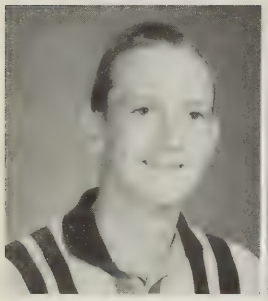
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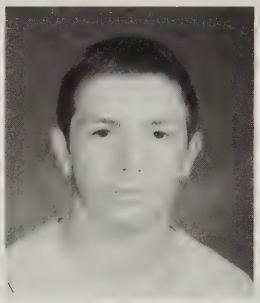
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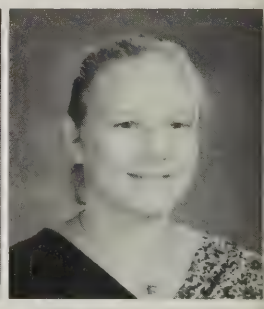
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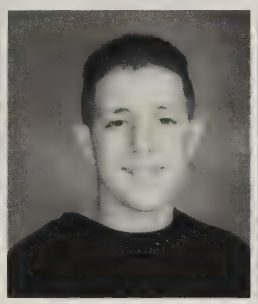
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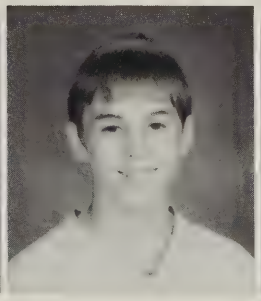
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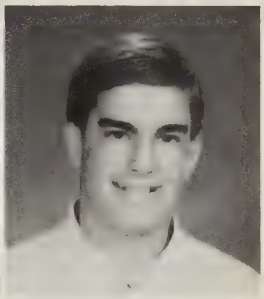
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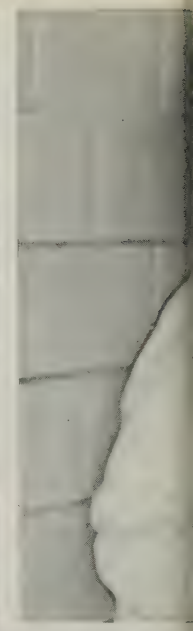

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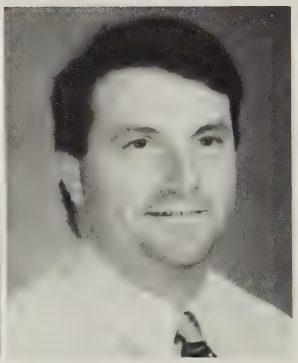

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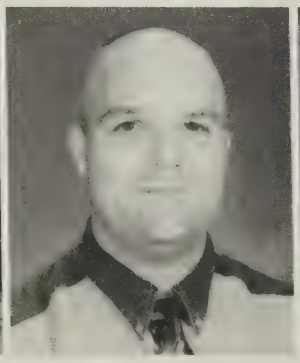

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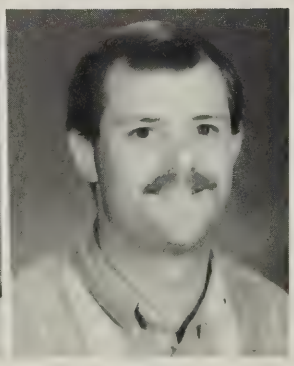

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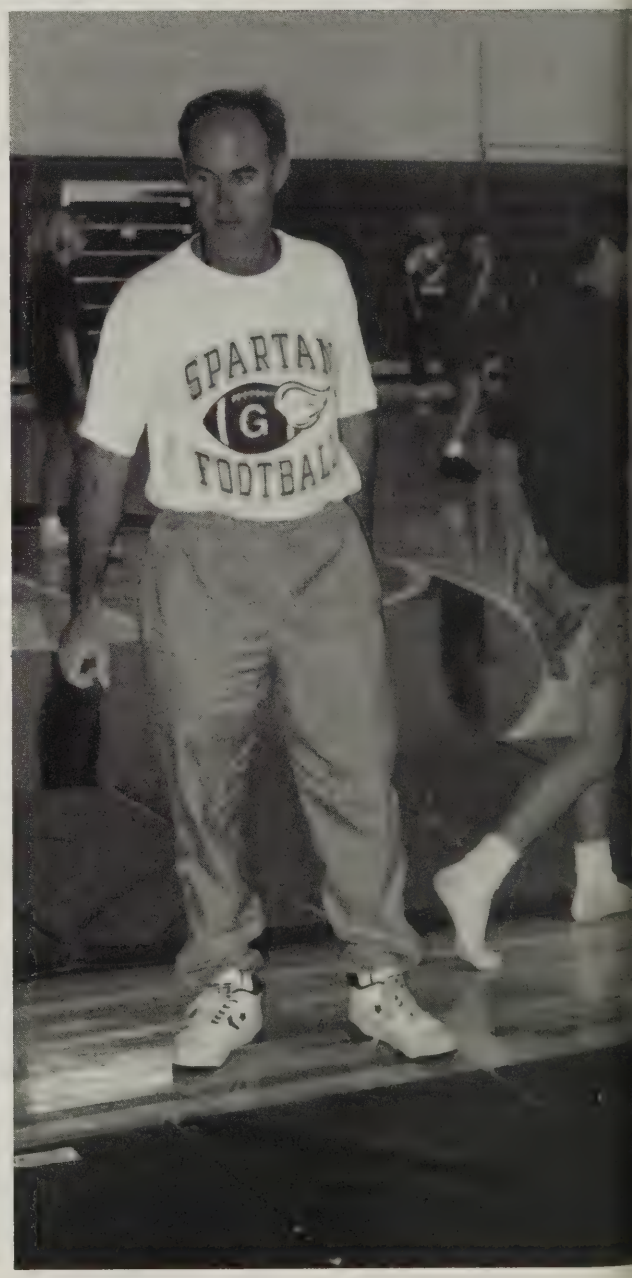


Above left: Faculty chaperones relax during a student dance. center: Martha Snidow spends her planning period grading Above right: Mrs. Bayless, Mrs. Hicks, and Mrs. Lynch chat in wing after school. Above: Coach Kelley instructs students on gymnastic techniques.

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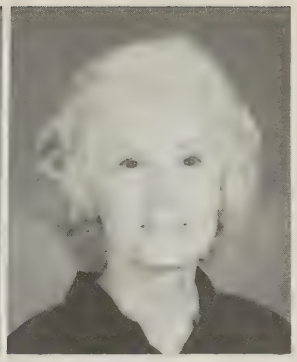

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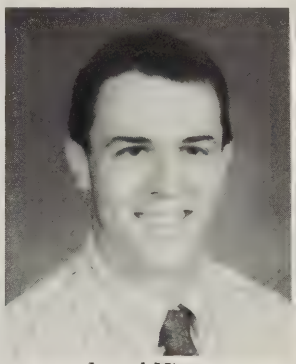

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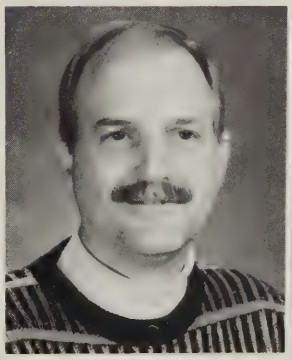

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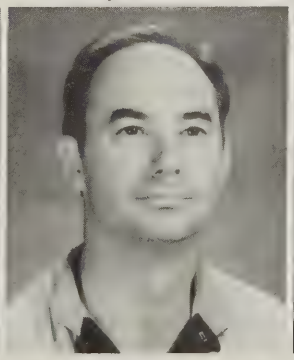

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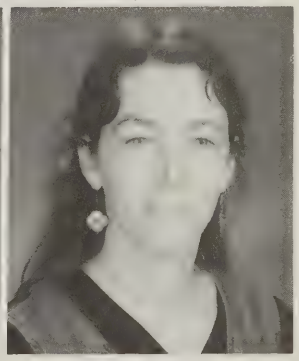

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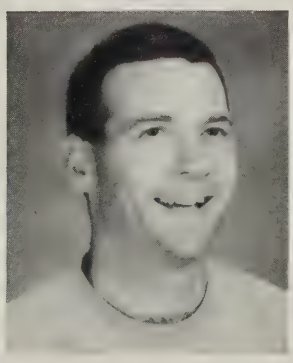

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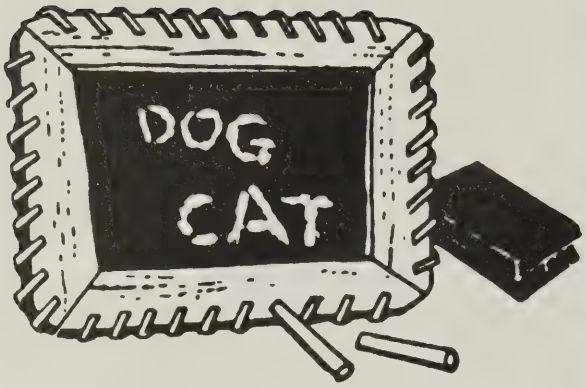

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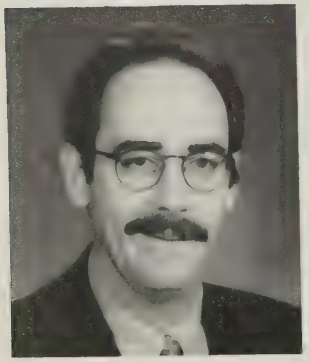
"Mrs. Coulter is always willing to help me understand math. I've enjoyed her advanced math class this year."
— senior Hilary Hunt

Cecilia McFaden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Above: Alicia Coulter takes a moment from grading a test to smile for the camera.

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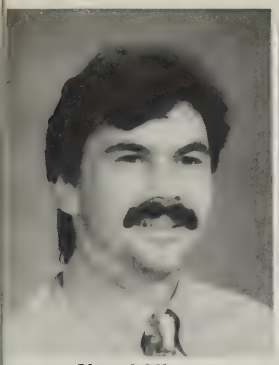
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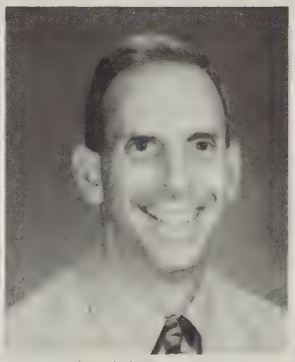
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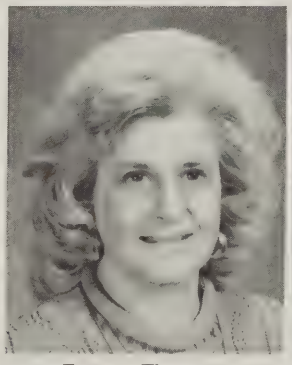
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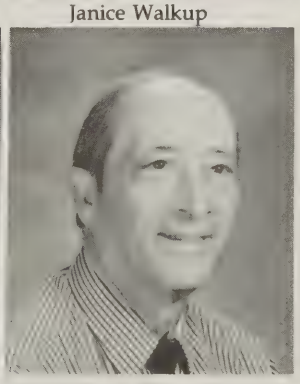
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# Senior Dedication

**Mr. Jerry Huffman**

Every year the senior staff members of the Shield choose an outstanding individual to honor. This year's seniors chose to honor a man who redefines the meaning of teaching and caring. His commitment to his students reaches far beyond the classroom of Coach Jerry Huffman. Every morning Mr. Huffman enters Giles High School greeting everyone with a smile. This is a smile that never seems to fade. It appears as though nothing makes Mr. Huffman happier than teaching and coaching at Giles High School. He is a man who truly enjoys his work. His sportsmanship and leadership are what make him an outstanding football and track coach. Mr. Huffman has touched many lives throughout his years of teaching at Giles High School. It is for these reasons, and more, that this year's staff chose to dedicate the 1997 shield to Coach Jerry Huffman.

Sports

# The Way We... Played

BASKETBALL

## TAKING TIME

"What made this team special was taking time to get to know each other. We hung out together, going to the mall or just talking basketball. When we stepped on the floor, we knew we could count on each other."

Heather Harry

## COMMUNICATION

"Teamwork isn't something you can just hope for. In our practices we worked on talking all the time, letting everyone know where we were. In crunch time it made all the difference."

Whitney Matlock

## COUNT ON ME

"We really just pulled together during the tough times. I think that's what made us a true team. We may not have posted the best of records, but we posted the best team attitude."

Kristen White

PATIENCE
Point guard Whitney Matlock awaits someone to deliver the ball to, but help is on the way as rebounding guru Jodi Mullins flashes into the open area.

TEAM
"This team showed more unity and group poise than most I've been a part of," commented junior Donna Medley, We understood this was the seniors team so we supported them any way possible, and they respected us for that. Altogether everything just clicked."

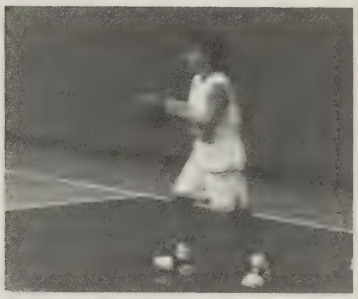
PUSHING IT
Senior Lori Talbert pushes the ball up on a fast break, while the rest of the team wisely fills in the rest of the floor.

HANDS UP
The Lady Spartans close in on the lonely shooter in an effort to impede her shot.

SWARMING DEFENSE
The Lady Spartans try to shut down Glenvar's attack by cutting off their passes. Junior Kristen White led the defensive effort with eighty-three blocked shots this season.

## FOR THE RECORD

| | US | THEM |
|---|---|---|
| Christiansburg | 19 | 50 |
| Narrows | 44 | 55 |
| Rocky Gap | 41 | 50 |
| Bland | 54 | 29 |
| Narrows | 42 | 58 |
| Rocky Gap | 53 | 46 |
| Craig | 77 | 24 |
| Christiansburg | 33 | 45 |
| Craig | 67 | 25 |
| Shawsville | 41 | 66 |
| Floyd | 36 | 81 |
| Bland | 61 | 29 |
| Auburn | 49 | 69 |
| Radford | 41 | 63 |
| Glenvar | 23 | 65 |
| Shawsville | 47 | 74 |
| Floyd | 34 | 75 |
| Auburn | 46 | 52 |
| Radford | 37 | 56 |
| Glenvar | 32 | 65 |



"This team played more like a team and sacrificed more for the sake of the team than any other girls team I've coached." Coach John Howlett

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL
In front: Head Coach John Howlett, Assistant Coach Heather Wilburn. Standing: Tammy Whittaker, Dawn St. Clair, Lori Talbert, Erin Williams, Jodi Mullins, Sheri Miller, Heather Harry, Donna Medley, Amy Wilson, and Whitney Matlock.

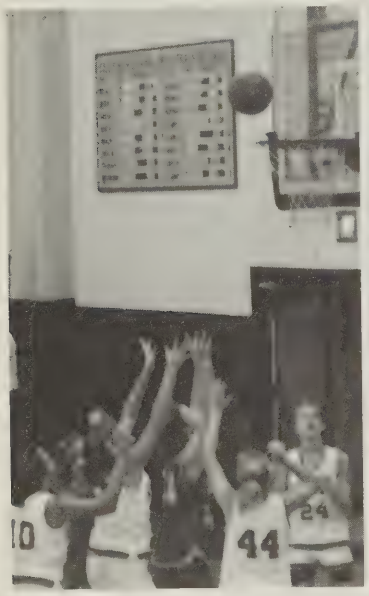
Fall!
Senior Dawn St. Clair looks on with the rest of her teammates as her free-throw waits to decide whether or not to fall in the hoop.

The Lady Spartans demonstrate good ball-movement while trying to work the ball inside to a wide-open Jodi Mullins.

# Eighth Grade Basketball

Tarah Brown is showing good form on this free throw at Craig County.

Left to Right: Patti Talbert, Rachel Sanders, Kim Trenar, Elizabeth Stafford, Harmony Newman, April Sexton, Heather Higginbotham, Tina Rogers, Heather Fontaine, Lynnette Patterson, Jamie Johnson, Ashley St. Leger, Jessica White. Not Pictured: Coach Muncey.



Four lady Spartans are going up for the rebound in this eighth grade game against Shawsville at home.

Stephanie Jones is making a powerful move in the paint against two Christiansburg opponents.

## SCORES

| | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Narrows | 31 | 23 |
| Christiansburg | 34 | 26 |
| Narrows | 28 | 19 |
| Fort Chiswell | 17 | 16 |
| Christiansburg | 19 | 25 |
| Shawsville | 15 | 31 |
| Floyd | 16 | 35 |
| Auburn | 18 | 27 |
| Radford | 16 | 21 |
| Glenvar | 15 | 19 |
| Shawsville | 13 | 21 |
| Floyd | 26 | 36 |
| Auburn | 23 | 30 |
| Radford | 26 | 31 |
| Glenvar | 24 | 34 |

Sophomore Courtney McGuire is making a break to steal the ball against Craig County. The Spartans won both games against the Rockets this year.

# J.V. Girls Basketball

## SCORES

| | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Christiansburg | 9 | 49 |
| Narrows | 17 | 27 |
| Rocky Gap | 15 | 29 |
| Bland | 22 | 10 |
| Narrows | 22 | 35 |
| Rocky Gap | 33 | 11 |
| Craig Co. | 34 | 9 |
| Christiansburg | 26 | 48 |
| Craig Co. | 42 | 12 |
| Shawsville | 22 | 31 |
| Floyd | 18 | 48 |
| Bland | 23 | 2 |
| Auburn | 28 | 58 |
| Radford | 19 | 42 |
| Glenvar | 10 | 33 |
| Shawsville | 27 | 32 |
| Floyd | 16 | 41 |
| Auburn | 20 | 56 |
| Radford | 14 | 32 |
| Glenvar | 21 | 33 |

First Row: Morgan Conley, Sarah Ege, Michele Chidester, Nichole Sheperd, Amanda Jones, Crystal Perdue. Second Row: Crystal Manning, Patricia White, Tarah Brown, Lori Douthat, Amy Merrix. Third Row: Coach Hutchison, Kerri Cooper, Stephanie Jones, Rachel Mann, Courtney McGuire, Melissa Gusler, Coach Wilburn.

(Below) The Lady Spartans are pressing in this Bland game at home. Courtney McGuire is on the ball and Morgan Conley is on her opponent man to man.

Rachel Sanders and Heather Fontaine trap this Shawnee ballhandler.

Kim Trenar is making a slash to the basket during this eighth grade game.

These eighth graders are setting up in a zone defense to guard the Shawnee offense.

Above: **A PERFECT FORM!** Casey Clark shows perfect form in swinging a golf club.

Right: **MAKING IT JUST RIGHT!** Junior Clay Davis makes sure everything is just right before he takes his swing.

# GILES GOLF TEAM *TRD CHAMPS!*

The 1996 Giles Golf team had a successful season. The team was regular season champions. They came in second at the District Tournament, and fourth in the Regional Tournament. Freshman Russ Johnston was fourth in the Region and qualified for state along with teammate Clay Davis.

The Golf team started practice during the summer at the Castle Rock Golf Course. All ten young men went everyday with their new coach W.R. Johnston for a long days practice.

**GOLF CHAMPS!** Junior Clay Davis and Sophomore Casey Clark pose for a picture during golf practice.

**A SWING OF PERFECTION!** Seth McCracken takes a hard swing at the ball for a long drive.

**ALMOST THERE!** Russ Johnston looks to see how much further he has to go.

Front Row: Seth McCracken, Joey Rider, Reid Nicholson, Shaun Radford, Casey Clark, and Duaine Collins. Back Row: W.R. Johnston, Jason Jennelle, Clay Davis, Russ Johnston, and Donald Waldron.

| | |
|---|---|
| Shawsville | 1st |
| Blacksburg | 1st |
| George Wythe | 2nd |
| Galax | 1st |
| District Match | 2nd |
| District Match | 1st |
| District Match | 1st |
| District Match | 1st |
| Carroll County | 1st |
| District Match | 1st |

CRUSHING DEFENSE
Spartan seniors Adam Jeffers and Tommy Workman converge on the ball carrier for the tackle on homecoming night. This year's defense was perhaps the driving force behind this state runner-up team.

FIRST DOWN
Junior Shawn Vaught drives hard for a first down. Vaught, the only Junior to start on this year's team, also led the team in rushing, gaining over one thousand yards this season.

# IT'S A MATTER OF BEING A

# WINNING TEAM

This year's Spartan Football campaign opened with the team already being counted out. Every sports writer in the area chose Blacksburg to win the first game. The team had no trouble with the Indians and rolled on to a 10 and 0 record for the regular season.

From there they journeyed to the playoffs. After making short work of the Chilhowie Warriors they went on to a grudge match with the Vikings of Powell Valley. In the mud and grime of Spartan field, Powell Valley fell to the mighty defense. The Spartans had reached the state championship game versus Powhatan. Playing in the same conditions as the week before, the team came up short, but not before playing a tremendous season.

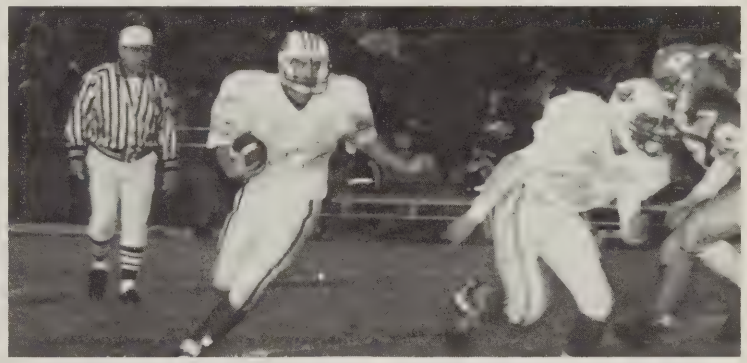
By Jason Taylor

LOOKING FOR A HOLE
Senior tailback Chris Ratcliffe searches for a hole to run through. Ratcliffe carried the ball, and along with the other seniors, carried the team through the playoffs. Ratcliffe also made large contributions to the great defense of the Spartans.

TURNING THE CORNER
Junior fullback Shaun Vaught turns the corner against Glenvar, while their defense stands around wondering whether to give chase or head for the bench.

OFFENSIVE GUARDING
Senior "knock-down" leader Jeremy Saunders pulls to block, hoping to add to his total and leave more wreckage in his wake. Saunders also did a great job as a place kicker.

SEARCHING
Mike Perdue searches patiently for a place to run, while blocking back Derek Wilson tries to make his decision a little easier.



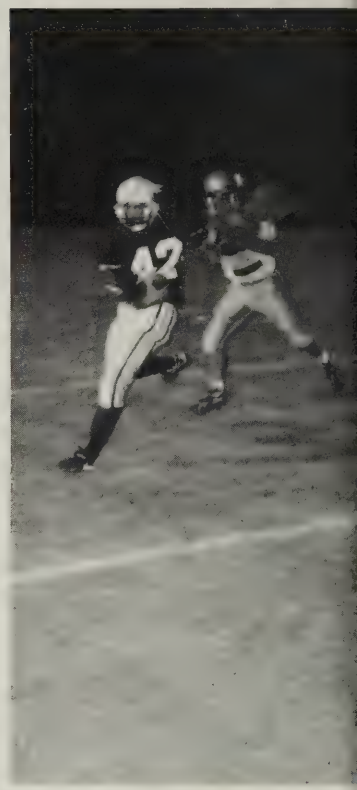
## FINAL MARKS

| | US | THEM |
|---|---|---|
| Blacksburg | 44 | 6 |
| Floyd | 42 | 7 |
| Narrows | 38 | 12 |
| Auburn | 40 | 12 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 48 | 7 |
| Glenvar | 45 | 20 |
| Radford | 41 | 7 |
| Bland | 50 | 22 |
| James Monroe | 42 | 19 |
| Shawsville | 42 | 14 |
| Pat. Henry GS | 35 | 13 |
| Chilhowie | 30 | 15 |
| Powell Valley | 14 | 7 |
| Powhatan | 8 | 20 |

Varsity Football
Front row: Timmy Sanders, Michael Dickerson, Derek Hare, Zach Whitsett, Shaun Wimmer, Jason Tickle, Ben Miller, Derrick Lang, Micah Steele, Josh Jennele, Chad Price, Monty Tickle, Darrin Law, Wes Jennele, Joey Rankin, and Manager Jason Green. Second row: Mr. Wimmer, manager, Coach Rusty Kelly, B.J. Smith, Michael Lucas, Justin Smith, Jeffery Dickerson, Rocky Baker, Billy Clark, Andre Saunders, Jason Neice, Kelly Keffer, Steven Gilmore, Brad Baker, Steven Linkous, Raymond Songer, Aaron Elliot, Chris Ratcliff, Coaches Jerry Huffman and Jack Ellison. Third row: Coaches, Jerod Hines, Steve Ragsdale, and Greg Brown; Timmy Snyder, Olaah Perry, Brian Lambert, Shaun Vaught, Derek Wilson, Shaun Snyder, Bret Nicholson, Michael Giles, Tommy Workman, Zeb Bowden, Lee Pyles, Chuckie Kellison, Daniel Johnston, Reggie Stephens, Coaches Steve Wilson, Randy Roe, and Rick Lee. Fourth Row: Michael Perdue, Jamie Meadows, Scott Heatherington, Chris Hutchison, Chris Bales, B.J. Evans, Jeremy Saunders, Chris Ruth, Timmy Sutphin, Matt Whitehead, Emanuel Young, Justin Boxtic, Brandon Williams, Michael Stafford, and Adam Jeffers.

**TOUCHDOWN!** Below: C.J. Hale scampers around the Glenvar defense for a touchdown, to help the Giles J.V. football team pick up a district win.

**A VICTORY CELEBRATION!** Right: The Spartan J.V. runs off their home field after a well deserved victory over the Glenvar Highlanders.



# CARRYING ON TRADITION

## 8th Grade

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Blacksburg | 36 | 22 |
| Radford | 30 | 00 |
| Floyd | 33 | 06 |
| Glenvar | 32 | 20 |
| Peterstown | 46 | 24 |
| Tazewell | 14 | 22 |
| Pulaski | 40 | 06 |
| Grayson County | 36 | 16 |
| Auburn | 22 | 26 |
| Dublin | 35 | 12 |

Bottom Row: Manager Jeremy Porterfield, Scott Stafford, Jeffrey Ratcliffe, Michael VanHoosier, Ricky Tawney, Travis Oakes, Jason Burton, Terrance Grogan, and Manager, Michael Janney. Middle Row: Jason Green, Kent McFaden, Chad Smith, R.J. Meador, John Meredith, Ariel Ramos, Trey David, Daniel Lafon. Top Row: Coach Steve Wilson, Coach Randall Roe, Avery Dollinger, Travis Robertson, Richard Hodge, Philip Tickle, Josh Davis, Justin Williams, Cooney Ratcliffe, Adam Lowry, Gene Meredith, and Coach Bryan Strader.

## J.V.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Blacksburg | 08 | 27 |
| Radford | 00 | 12 |
| Floyd | 00 | 28 |
| Glenvar | 20 | 00 |
| James Monroe | 08 | 40 |
| Tazewell | 16 | 08 |
| Green-Bryar East | 00 | 12 |
| Fort Chiswell | 06 | 06 |

Bottom Row: Paul Sutphin, Scott Moye, Ricky Simpkins, Stephen Gilmer, Jason Neice, Kelly Keffer, Josh Jennelle, Chad Price, Justin Smith, Daniel Stevers, Josh Williams, Monte Tickle, C.J. Hale, Jason Williams. Middle Row: Coach Greg Brown, Ross Rhodes, Josh Kirk, B.J. Smith, Jason Belcher, Marshall Law, Rocky Baker, Michael Dickerson, Brad Baker, Chris Martin, Justin Hilton, Michael Price, Joey Rankin, Andy Bowden, Coach Jack Ellison, Michael Lucas, Chuckie Kellison, David Hobbs, Brandon Clark, Timmy Sanders, Jeffrey Dickerson, Steven Linkous, Wes Jennelle, Reggie Stephens, Andre Sanders, Daniel Johnson, and Coach Jerry Huffman.

**STAYING STRONG!** Above: Cooney Ratcliffe of the Giles 8th grade pulls three Glenvar defenders down the field for a first down in their district win.

**TOUGH DEFENSE!** Left: Reggie Stephens hammers the Glenvar quarterback in front of his home fans.

**WORKING HARD!** Below: Richard Hodge walks off the field to take a quick break.

**LEADERS:** Below: Team Captains Scott Moye, Reggie Stephens, and B.J. Smith lead their teammates into battle.

**PREPARATION!** Above: The eighth grade team takes a time out to plan their strategy.

**DETERMINATION** Left: Richard Hodge led blocks for Cooney Ratcliffe as he runs the ball in for another touchdown. Layout design and copy by Brandon Williams.

Christina Smith and Becky St. Ledger are running hard at a home meet. Even as eighth graders, these two are an important part of the varsity team.

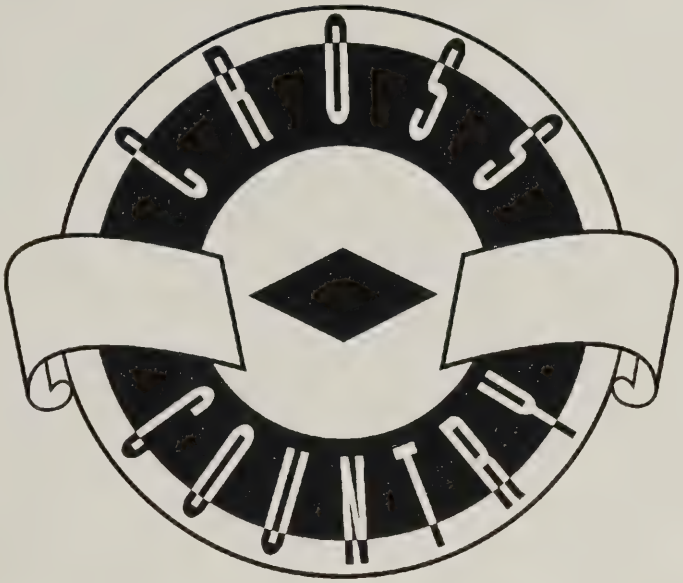
Charity Peters, Leslie Houck, Tiffany Bowman and Amber Jones know that the race is more fun when run together.

Coach Ramsey not only has his team run: they also lift weights and do a total body workout . . .

The boys' and girls' runners line up together at the start of a meet.

Think you're tough enough to: run as fast as you can, through the woods, for three miles? Try it.

# Cross Country 1996

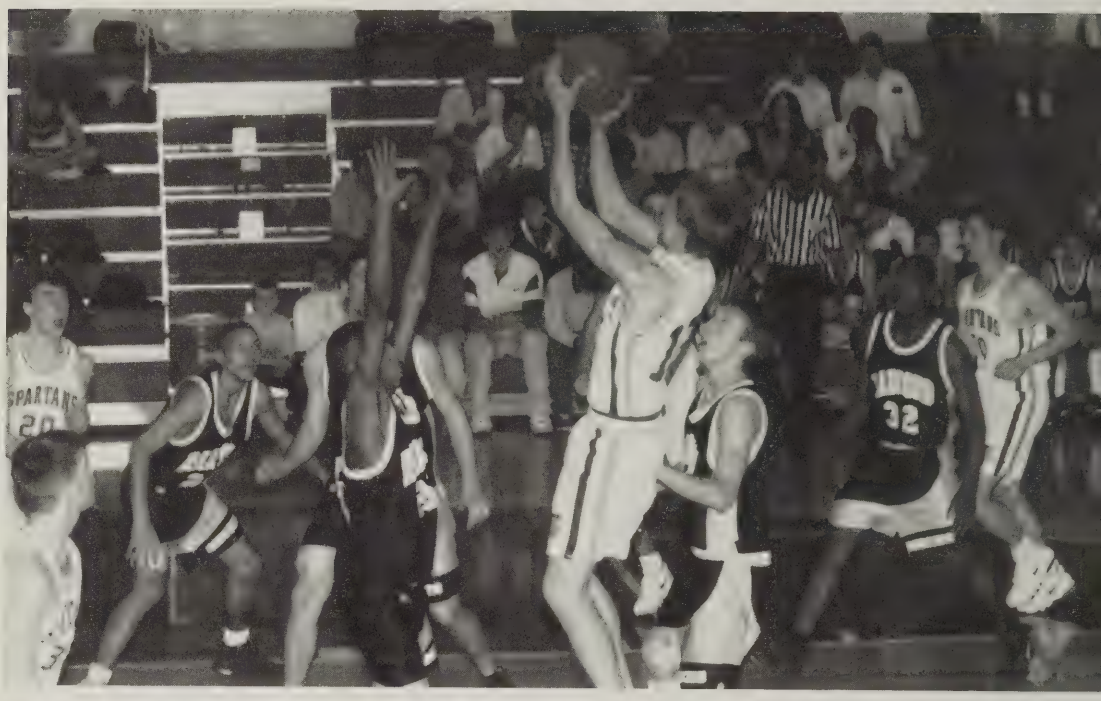


nn Jones, Adam ttum, Tiffany owman, Jackie illips and Leslie lliams. Back row: son Huffman, mes Peters, J.P. ith, Leslie Houck, harity Peters, ristina Smith and becca St. Ledger.

FINISHING TOUCH
Spartan senior Brian Lambert jokingly shoots a foul shot against the Shawsville Shawnees in the TRD Tournament. Giles won the game 71-44.

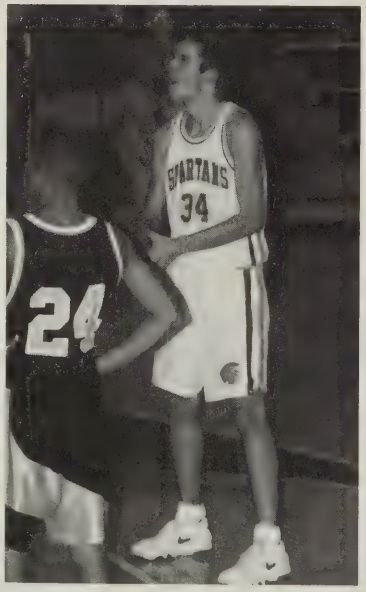
THE JUMPER
Spartan senior Robbie Claytor pulls up for a jumper as the Radford Bobcat defense looks on. Robbie was selected to the All-District Team this season.

TEAM WORK
Seniors Ben Brown and Landon Cassidy swarm around a Floyd player, while Robbie Claytor waits for the steal. In the end Giles beats Floyd.



Senior Ben Brown prepares to drive on the Floyd Co. Buffalos, as the Spartan bench looks on.

CONCENTRATION
Spartan senior Aaron Albert concentrates as he prepares to shoot a crucial foul shot against the Radford Bobcats. The Spartans defeated Radford.

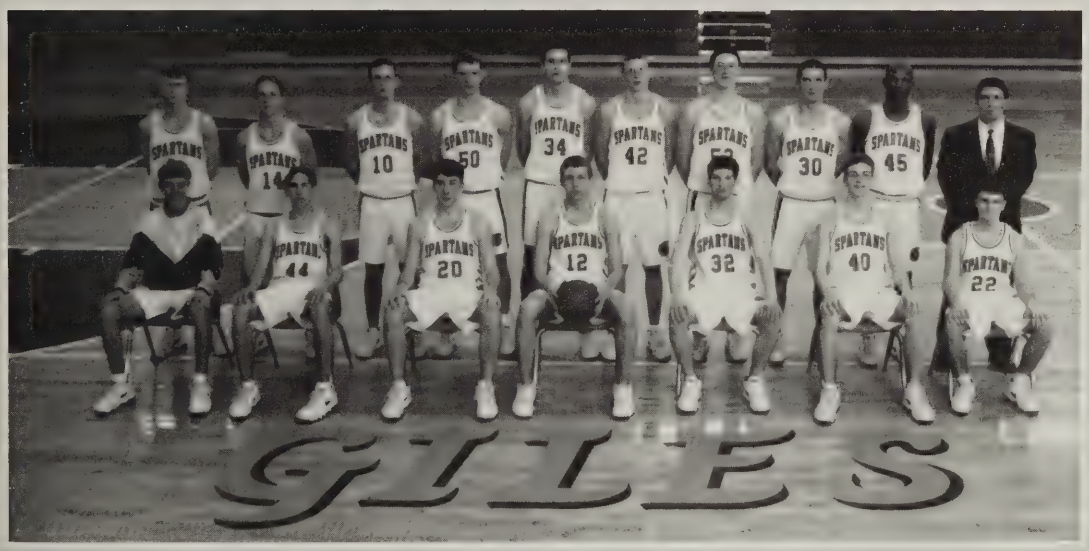


DEFENSE
Jason Martin shows his defensive skills as he sticks with the Radford player. Jason in his first year was a major contributor to the teams victories.

GETTING READY
The Spartan basketball team huddles up in the middle of the court to get ready for the game. The Spartans had a record of 12-10 on the season.

# Getting it right

Although the Spartans didn't go as far as they would have liked in the post-season play, they did walk away with some accomplishments. They beat the number one ranked state champion Floyd Co. Buffaloes. They also broke the school record for total points scored in a single season. The Three Rivers All-District team included seniors Robbie Claytor and Adam Jones. Coach John Howlett was voted Three Rivers District Coach of the Year.

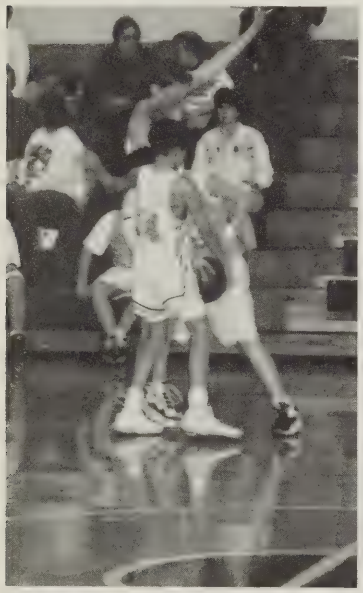



VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL
Front row: Brian Lambert, Jason Martin, Ben Brown, Robbie Claytor, Landon Cassidy, Jamie Meadows, and Jason Butler. Back row: Russ Johnston, Scott Hetherington, Jason Taylor, Adam Jones, Aaron Albert, Jason Edwards, Brandon Williams, Shaun Vaught, Tee Peoples, and Coach John Howlett.

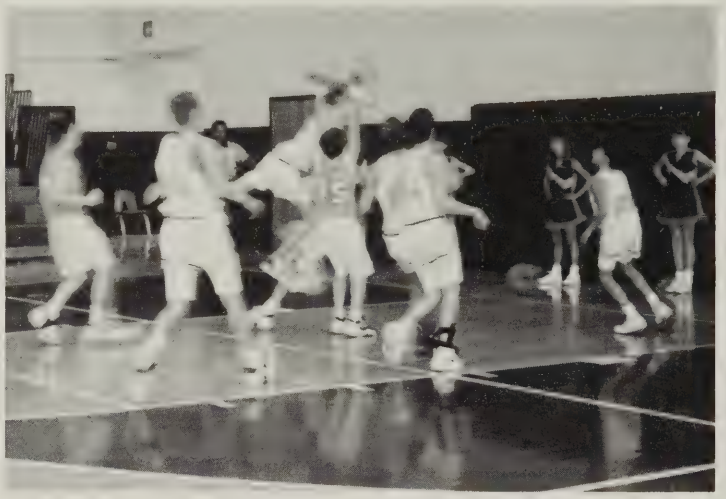
| | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Rocky Gap | 61 | 56 |
| Bland | 74 | 69 |
| Narrows | 77 | 80 OT |
| Christiansburg | 58 | 71 |
| Craig Co. | 69 | 40 |
| Narrows | 64 | 45 |
| Rocky Gap | 55 | 63 OT |
| Bland | 47 | 48 |
| Craig Co. | 90 | 40 |
| Shawsville | 64 | 41 |
| Auburn | 75 | 61 |
| Christiansburg | 53 | 61 |
| Glenvar | 67 | 73 |
| Radford | 54 | 67 |
| Floyd Co. | 57 | 89 |
| Auburn | 71 | 53 |
| Radford | 70 | 65 |
| Glenvar | 49 | 75 |
| Floyd Co. | 76 | 71 |
| Shawsville | 85 | 67 |
| Shawsville | 71 | 44 |
| Glenvar | 53 | 64 |

# '96-97 EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL

**WHAT A SHOT!** Eighth grader Anthony Hayden takes time to admire his shot in the home game against Shawsville.



**PERFECTION!** Cooney Ratcliffe and Ricky Tawney perform a perfect trap against an Auburn player.



**TEAM WORK!** The eighth grade team works together to pull off a win over Shawsville.

**GREAT STILL!** Anthony Hayden stills the ball and takes it down the court for a two point shot.

## SCORES

| | |
|---|---|
| Narrows | 45-36 |
| Blacksburg | 65-48 |
| *Auburn | 56-64 |
| Narrows | 36-68 |
| Rocky Gap | 49-46 |
| *Radford | 66-69 |
| Fort Chiswell | 52-68 |
| *Shawsville | 22-38 |
| Blacksburg | 69-61 |
| Bland | 72-77 |
| *Floyd | 43-47 |
| *Radford | 67-55 |
| *Auburn | 39-45 |
| *Shawsville | 65-58 |
| *Floyd | 65-59 |

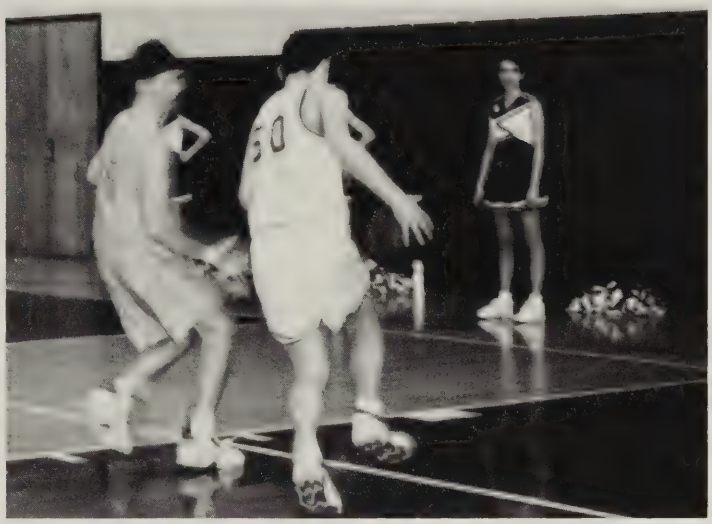
* District game

# '96-97 J.V. Basketball

## SCORES

| | |
|---|---|
| Fort Chiswell | 56-68 |
| Rocky Gap | 44-56 |
| Narrows | 76-78 |
| Craig Co. | 67-70 |
| Bland | 71-68 |
| Narrows | 56-50 |
| Craig Co. | 64-58 |
| *Auburn | 35-42 |
| Rocky Gap | 45-43 |
| Christiansburg | 55-62 |
| *Radford | 68-74 |
| Fort Chiswell | 54-52 |
| *Shawsville | 67-62 |
| Bland | 38-34 |
| *Floyd | 67-42 |
| *Auburn | 58-49 |
| *Radford | 57-63 |
| *Shawsville | 59-55 |
| *Floyd | 67-78 |
| Christiansburg | 56-69 |

*District game



**DRIVIN' THE LANE!** Sophomore Jason Edwards drives down the lane for a lay-up.

**WARMING UP!** Members of the J.V. team warm up before a game against Radford.

**GOING UP!** Sophomore Derek Hare gets a steal and goes up for a lay-up.

**LOOKING INSIDE** Sophomore Carl Collins looks inside to pass the ball to Freshman Ross Rhodes.

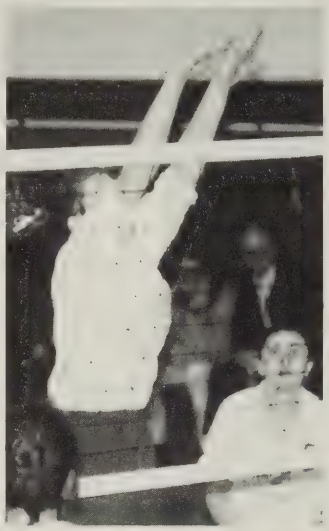
nt Row: Shaun Radford, Timmy Carbaugh, David Claytor, Carol Collins, Reid Nicholson, Craig Steele, Andrew mons. Back Row: Ross Rhodes, Ben Howard, Jason Edwards, Seth Bandy, Derek Hare, Andy Johnston, Sheffey therington.

Sheri Miller, Leslie Williams, Michele Johnston, Jenny Buchanan, Whitney Matlock, Kim Clark, Cherad Woodyard, Heather Harry, Amy Wilson, Dawn St. Clair and Erin Williams goof off after practice one afternoon.

# Varsity Volleyball

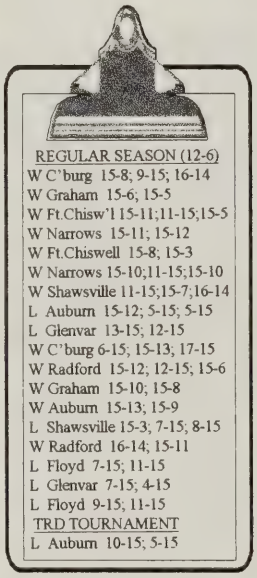
The 1996-1997 Lady Spartans experienced many ups and downs in their quest for victory. Although they felt the pain of defeat, the great memories of the season outweighed it. Whether it was just a regular day of practice or one of the many pre-game rituals, the girls found time to bond with each other. Each game began with a huddle that broke to the sound of "teamwork." Playing together was an important part of the team's success. This team played with a lot of heart and desire. Their strong efforts are not fully evident in the team record.

**In Your Face** — Michele Johnston blocks a Lady Shawnee. She had a total of 60 blocks this season.



**Ace 'n Amy** — Amy Wilson perfects her power serve during a practice.

The Lady Spartans gather in the locker room before a game for a prayer. Michele Johnston led the team in prayer before every match. This time set aside any grudges and brought the team together before the match.



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W C'burg 15-8; 9-15; 16-14
W Graham 15-6; 15-5
W Ft.Chisw'l 15-11;11-15;15-5
W Narrows 15-11; 15-12
W Ft.Chiswell 15-8; 15-3
W Narrows 15-10;11-15;15-10
W Shawsville 11-15;15-7;16-14
L Auburn 15-12; 5-15; 5-15
L Glenvar 13-15; 12-15
W C'burg 6-15; 15-13; 17-15
W Radford 15-12; 12-15; 15-6
W Graham 15-10; 15-8
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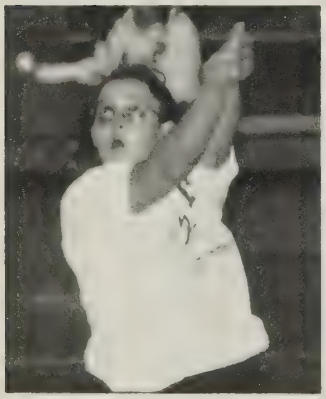


**Up and Over** — Dawn St. Clair, a senior for the Lady Spartans, receives a ball during one of the team's home games.

**Building Leadership & Friendship** — Senior members of the 96-97 Varsity team kidnap Coach Schmidt for another silly pose. The five seniors on the team were Michele Johnston, Whitney Matlock, Amy Wilson, Cherad Woodyard and Dawn St. Clair.

**A Sure Set** — Senior Whitney Matlock executes a perfect backset to Sheri Miller as Heather Harry looks on. The team tried to incorporate many new plays like this into their game this year. Matlock, a very successful setter, had 119 assists on the year.

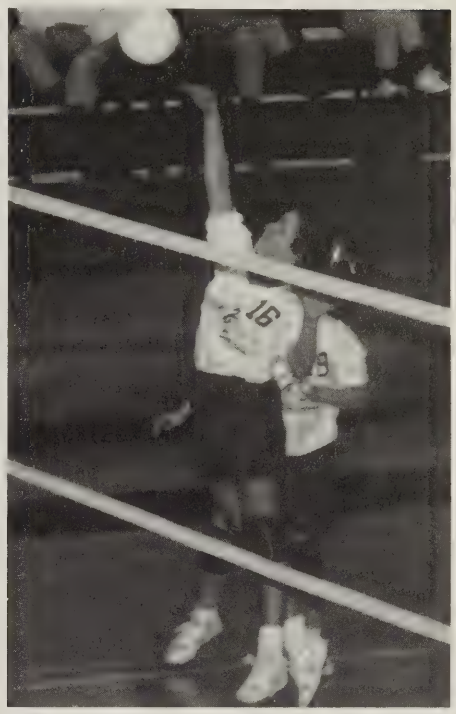
**"Say Cheese"** — Seniors Dawn St. C Amy Wilson and Whitney Matlock for the camera on an away trip. A fe the most common sayings for this ye team include: "Together," "Teamwo "Bleachers," "One, I know. Two, I s . . . ," and "Are we gonna flip?"

**On Their Toes** — Leslie Williams, Kim Harvey, Heather Harry, Amy Wilson, and Michele Johnston watch as the ball returns across the net.

**Best Buds** — Captains Whitney Matlock and Michele Johnston

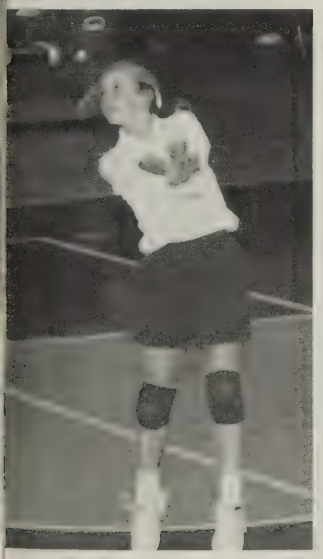
**Totally Prepared** — Junior Sheri Miller concentrates on the ball as Tracy Ratcliffe, Kim Harvey, Holly Johnson, Erin Williams and Amy Wilson observe.

**A Time to Kill** — Senior Michele Johnston hits over two defending Radford Bobcats in a victorious away match.



Leslie Williams, Cherad Woodyard, Amy Wilson, Whitney Matlock, Jenny Buchanan, Kim Clark, Dawn St. Clair, Tracy Ratcliffe, Kim Harvey, Holly Johnson, Coach Tammy Brown, Erin Williams, Michele Johnston, Heather Harry, Sherri Miller, Coach Neil Schmidt

**"This is the fun stuff!"** — Coach Neil Schmidt stirs up the action before a home match. Seniors Amy Wilson and Cherad Woodyard receive while juniors Holly Johnson and Erin Williams prepare for their turn.



**A Perfect Pass** — Senior Cherad Woodyard displays her receiving technique in a game against Floyd County.

**A Set of Setters** — Juniors Jenny Buchanan and Kim Clark, and seniors Amy Wilson, Whitney Matlock, and Michele Johnston (feet pictured) set for the Spartans this year. Junior Leslie Williams (not pictured) also set.

**Taking a break** — Juniors Kim Harvey, Tracy Ratcliffe, Heather Harry, and Jenny Buchanan stop for a rest and a quick picture during practice.

**WARMING UP!** Below: Members of the J.V. team warm up in a circle before an away match at Narrows.

**PERFECTION!** Sophomore Captain Rachel Mann performs a perfect set during the game against Narrows.

# J.V. VOLLEYBALL

Although the J.V. had a rough season, they still showed effort and determination. The team was led by Captain Rachel Mann.

## SCORES

| | |
|---|---|
| Christiansburg | 1-2 |
| Graham | 2-0 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 1-2 |
| Narrows | 2-1 |
| *Shawsville | 2-0 |
| *Auburn | 1-2 |
| *Glenvar | 0-2 |
| Christiansburg | 0-2 |
| *Radford | 1-2 |
| Graham | 2-0 |
| *Audurn | 1-2 |
| *Shawsville | 1-2 |
| *Radford | 1-2 |
| *Floyd | 0-2 |
| *Glenvar | 0-2 |
| *Floyd | 0-2 |

*District games

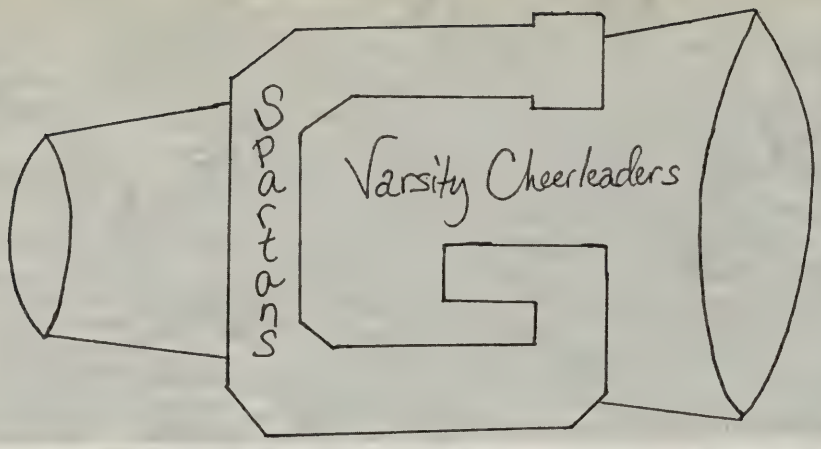
Front Row: Sarah Miller and Leslie Perdue. Middle Row: Manager Jared Brown, Tarah Brown, Morgan Conley, Sarah Wilson, Lori Marion, and Patti Talbert. Back Row: Coach Tammy Brown, manager Kim Trenar, Ashley St. Clair, April Sexton, Rachel Mann, Karah Hunt, Felicia Rankin, Nikki Reynolds and Coach Neil Schmidt.

# J.V. & Eighth Grade Cheerleading

(clockwise from far left) Kelley Perdue, Lori Douthat, Leslie Perdue, and Sarah Wilson pump up the crowd during a pep rally for the playoffs.
(left) Leslie Perdue and Sarah Wilson pose to show their spirit before a J.V. game.
(below) Eighth grade cheerleaders psych up the team for a victory.
(far below) Eighth grade cheerleaders try to get the crowd involved in cheering on the eighth grade football team.
(far left) J.V. and eighth grade cheerleaders lead the ninth grade in the spirit contest.

ori Douthat, Kelly Perdue, and Nichole Shepard watch and wait for the football layers to enter the gym.

The J.V. Cheerleaders prepare to cheer before a game.



The basketball cheerleaders pose for a group shot. In front: Nichole Jones, Karrah Dunn, Megan Noble, Jamie Jennell, Heather Austin, and Julie Keating.

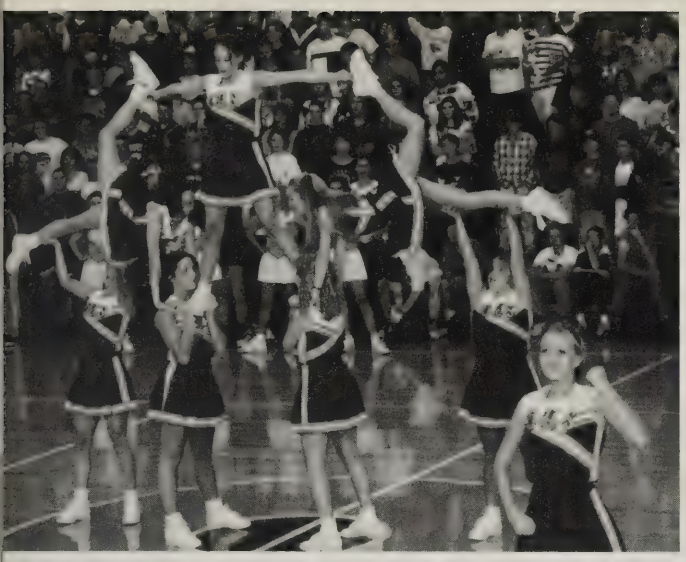
Despite the rainy bitter cold weather at the state gam junior Heather Austin continues to cheer for the tean

NOW

Michele Johnston's enthusiasm for cheerleading started as a child.

THEN

The varsity cheerleaders dance to the rhythm of another win while practicing their latest routine.



the pep rally the cheerlead-
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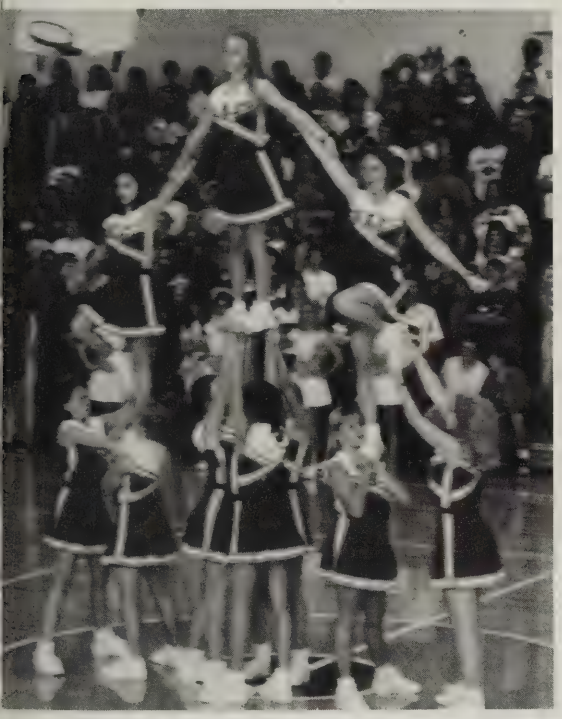
During half-time of the state championship game against Powhatan, the cheerleaders huddle around a heater in an attempt to dry off and warm up.



t one of the playoff pep
llies, the cheerleaders end
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es.

At the Chilhowie pep rally, the varsity cheerleaders show off their spirit by psyching up the football team for their next victory.

During the Homecoming game, the cheerleaders pose for a picture.

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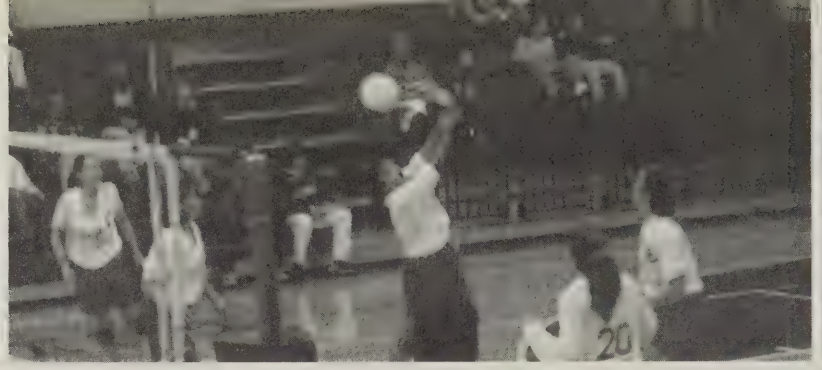
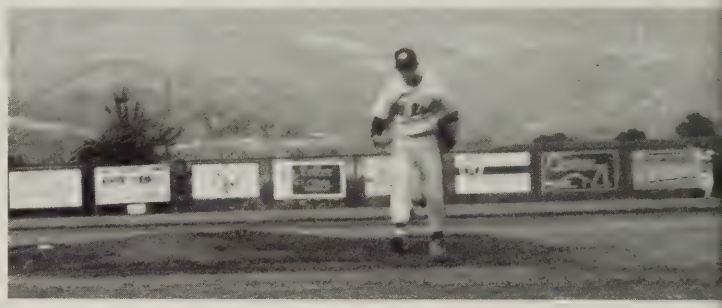
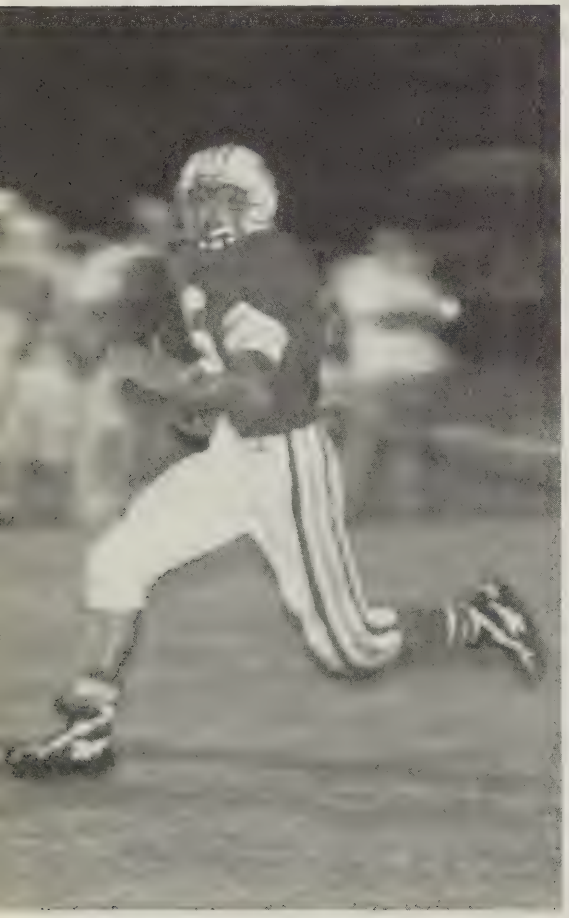
Cherad Woodyard's love for cheerleading began with just a simple Halloween costume. Layout by Nichole Jones

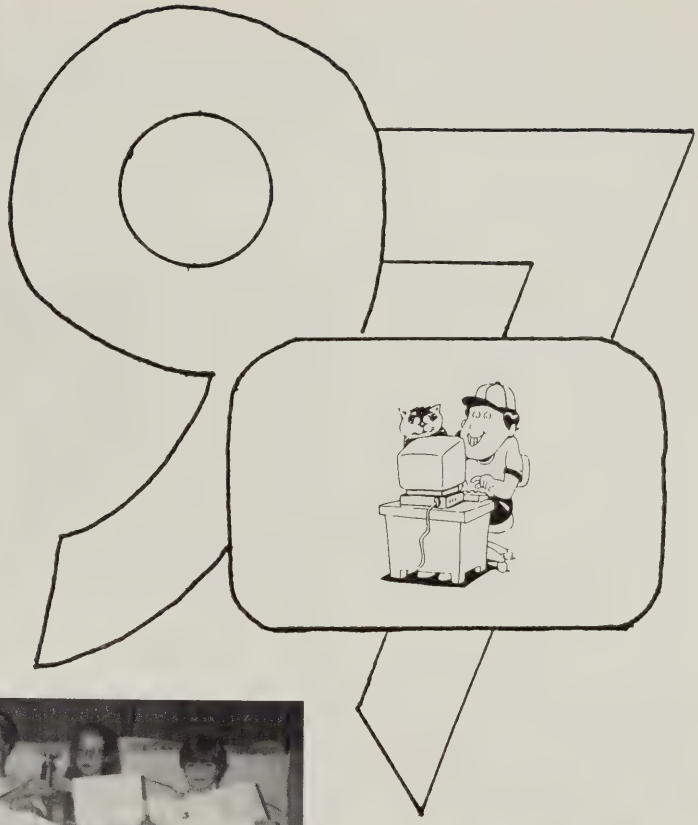






# Spartan Sports

# Academics

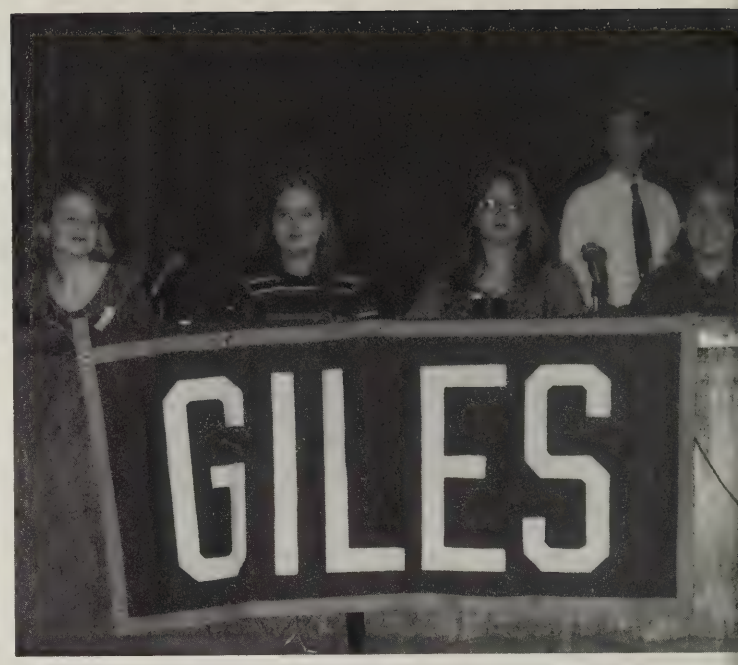


*The Way We...*

# *Achieved*

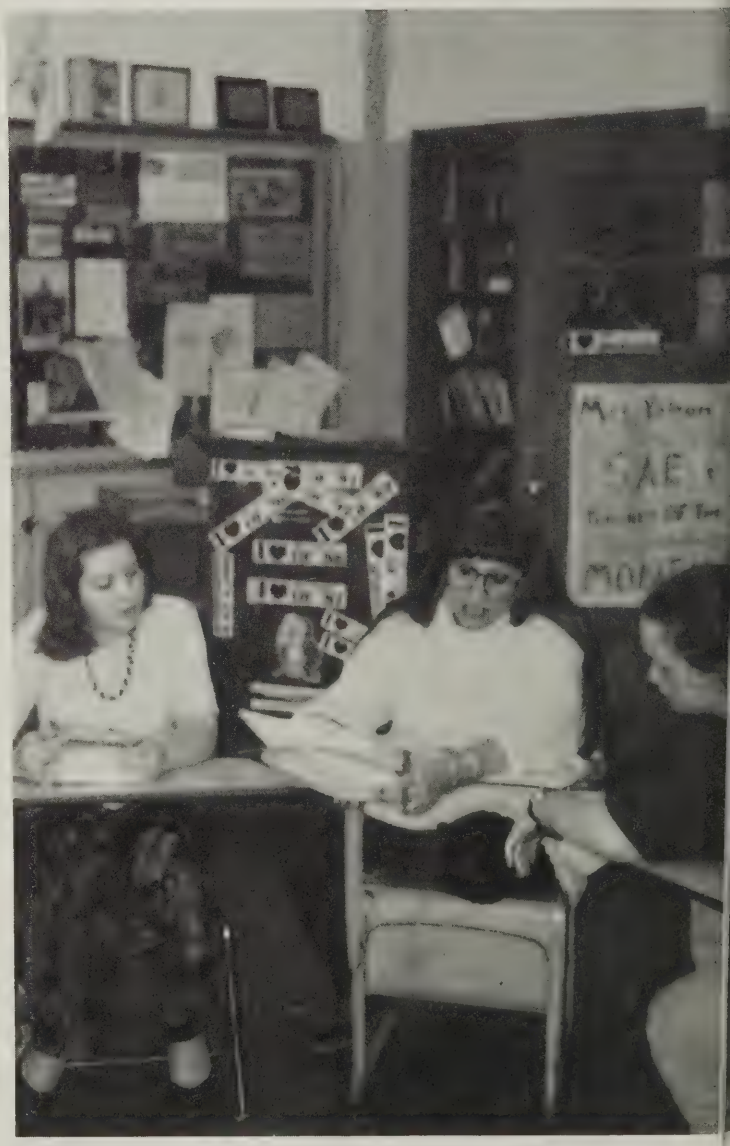
Math M.A.C.C.
Sarah Lucas, Amy Ryder, and Peter Cooper look confident before a match with Blacksburg.

Science M.A.C.C.
The Science M.A.C.C. team is prepared to have a successful season behind stellar performances by Erin Martin, Carrie Blankenship, Shannon McCoy, and Sara Davis.



Social Studies M.A.C.C.
Jason Porterfield, Hilary Hunt, Christen Robertson, and Sarah Plummer carefully consider a directed question before answering.

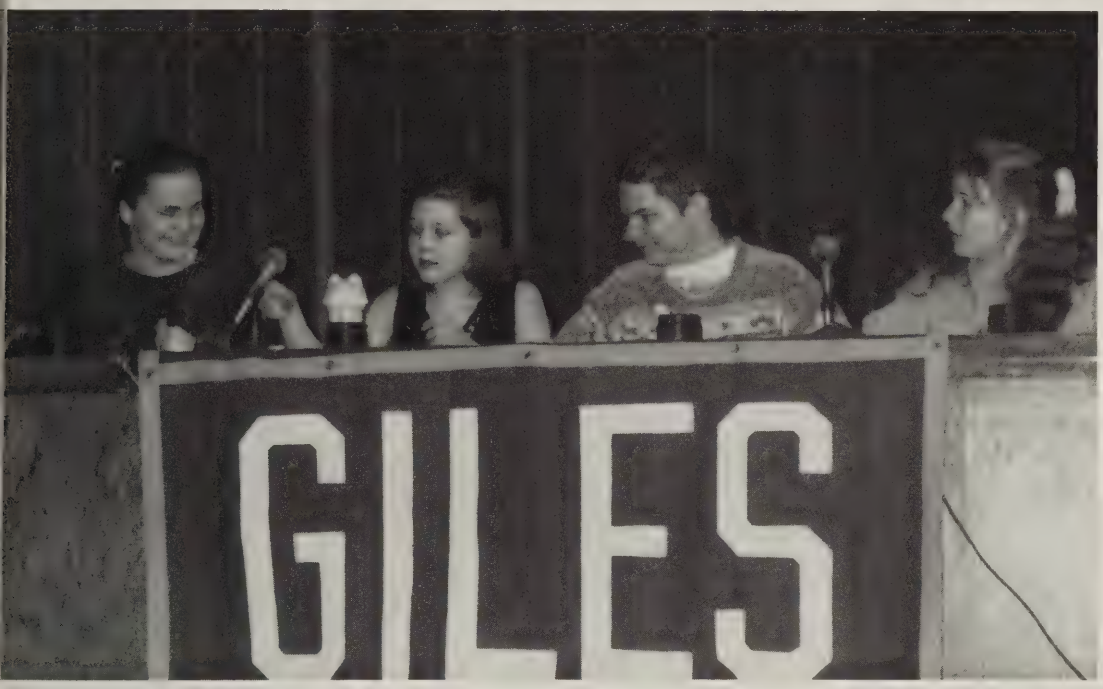
Listen Carefully
English team members Laura Martin and Freedom Kelley pay close attention as Mrs. Yolton goes over information which could be important at the next competition.



# Spartan M.A.C.C.

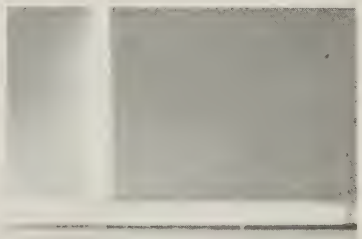
*Academic competition thrives at Giles High School.*

Most M.A.C.C. teams have their own good-luck charm, an object which travels to competitions to inspire confidence. These talismans range from the English team's lucky pig to the paper clips an anonymous social studies team member carries to every match. While lucky charms may give comfort, they are not responsible for the success the M.A.C.C. teams have had this season. In fact, luck is nothing when compared to the hard work and dedication which every team member has shown. Their long hours of practice and determination to be the best have led to some startling upsets in competitions against schools such as Blacksburg and Radford. Silence usually reigns on the bus rides to away matches because everyone is too absorbed in studying old questions or meditating to talk, but the return trips are always the exact opposite. Jubilant voices talk about how easy the questions had been, how hungry they are for fast food, and how all their hard work paid off. The assorted lucky charms are practically forgotten as each team receives the credit it deserves.



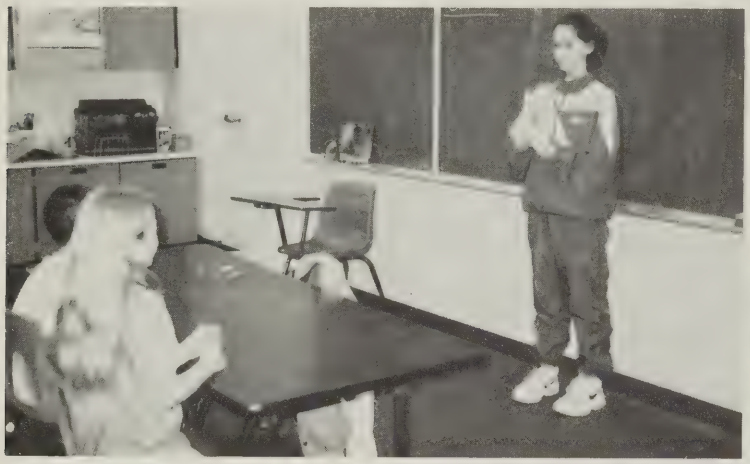

English M.A.C.C.
Freedom Kelley, David Henderson, and Shannon Bohn watch as captain Laura Martin prepares to introduce the team at the beginning of a match.

I'm ready!
Social Studies team member Joey Ryder keeps his finger poised over the buzzer during practice.

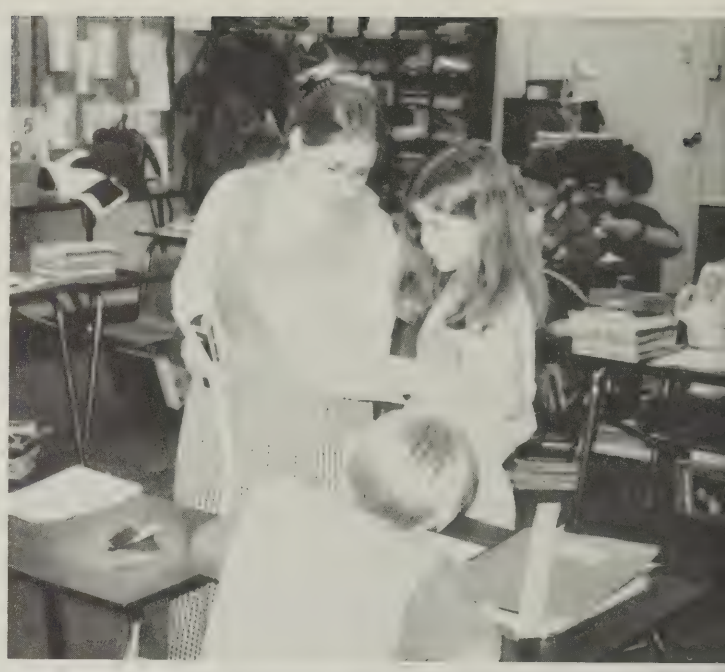


All-Around M.A.C.C.
From geography to modern art, Jason Porterfield, Hilary Hunt, Laura Martin, and Freedom Kelley can handle any subject!

Junior Donna Medley plays a game with her third-grade Spanish class, giving them a chance to have some fun while learning.



Junior Traci Ervin checks over a fourth-grader's French worksheet. The worksheets aren't graded, but students are often given prizes for their efforts.



Senior Stephen Hypes reads a Spanish lesson out loud for a group of fourth-graders at Eastern Elementary.

Senior Dawn St. Clair works closely with a group of third-graders.

For the first time at Giles High School, there is a class where the students do all the teaching.

# Foreign Language Practicum

Front Row: Traci Ervin, Kelly Robertson, Dawn St. Clair, Stephen Hypes, and Donna Medley. Back Row: Mrs. Snidow, Chrystal Wilburn, Rachel Williams, and T.J. Dowdy. Not Pictured: Jenny Burn.

The sorrow of losing old friends and the joy of meeting the new.

# Teachers Come and Go

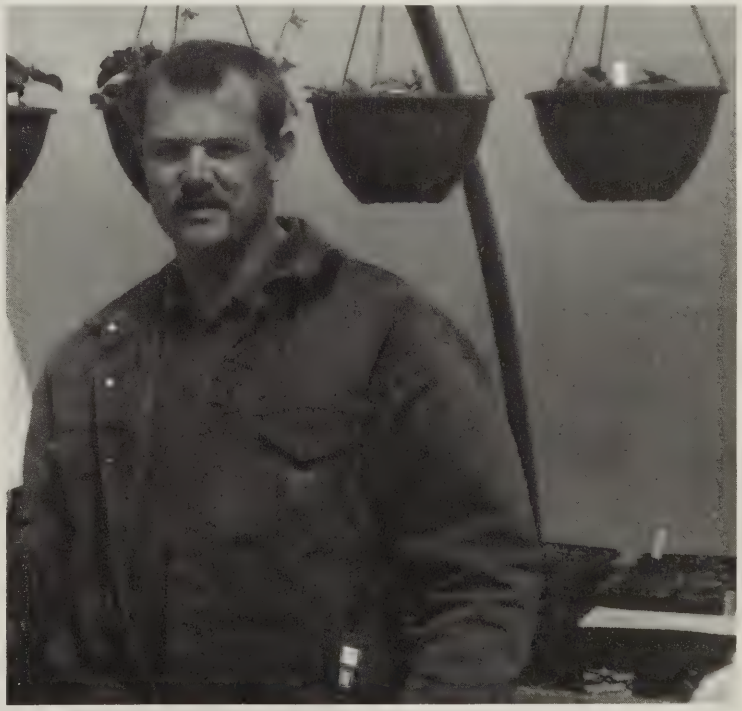
This year at Giles we are losing many members of our hard working dedicated staff. After many years of teaching, Ms. Daugherty and Mr. Wilburn plan to retire after the 96-97 school year. Beside this loss we gained many new and friendly faces, such as Ms. Carter, Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Frantz, and Ms. Kelley.

Above: After many dedicated years as a teacher and coach at Giles, Mr. Bob Wilburn retires.

Right: Ms. Carter, the new secretary in the office, takes a break from her busy schedule for a quick smile.

Left: The smile on the new ISS monitor's face, Mr. Hutchison, shows that he really enjoys his job . . .

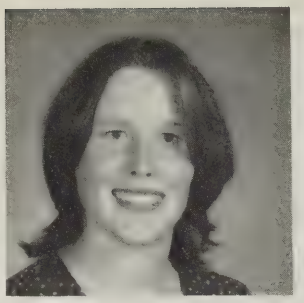
Below: We say farewell to Ms. Daughterty after many years of teaching chemistry and physics.

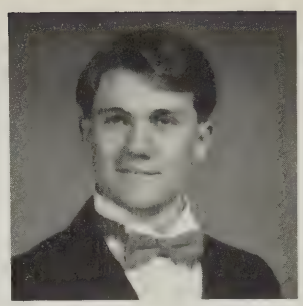


Left: The new pre-engineering and drafting teacher, Miss Kelly, takes time to smile next to one of her student's projects.

The new horticulture teacher, Mr. Frantz, shows one of his newly grown plants.

Brandon Williams


Sheri Miller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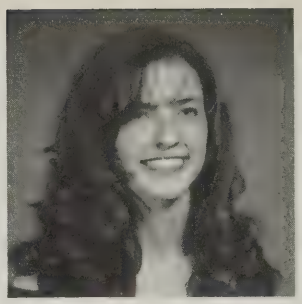
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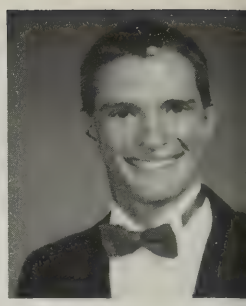
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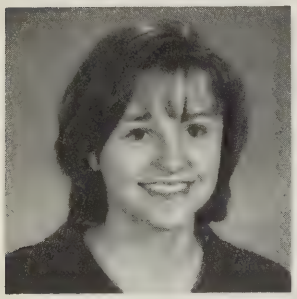
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# Academic Athletes

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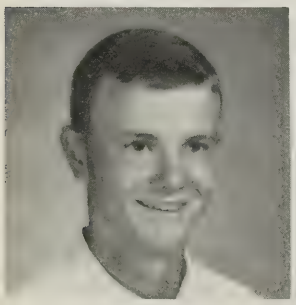
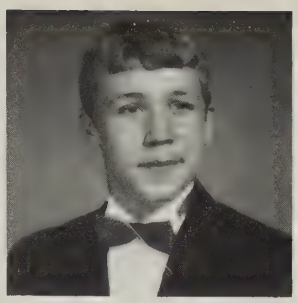
Tarah Brown


Russ Johnston

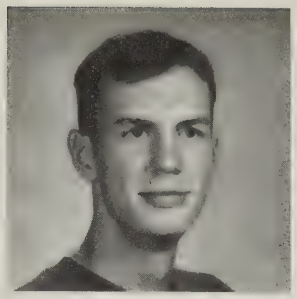
Upper Left: **Concentration!** Ser
Dawn St. Clair concentrates on
foul shot in a game against Sha
ville. Left: **STEAL!** Senior Rob
Claytor gets a steal and goes for
lay up as fellow teammates Ad
Jones and Ben Brown follow.

Dawn St. Clair



Robbie Claytor

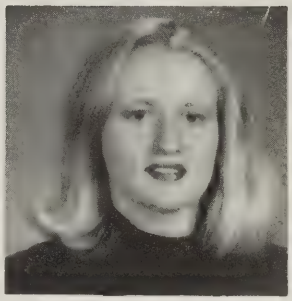
Whitney Matlock



Jason Taylor

Amber Jones

Being an **Academic Athlete** here at Giles is a demanding task all by itself. Many athletes don't receive enough credit for their achievements, on and off the court. Some people do not realize the weights that these athletes carry. Between practices, after school and on game days, time for homework isn't found easily, which makes keeping grades up even harder. Pictured here are just a few of the many athletes who have managed to maintain their grades and play at least two sports.



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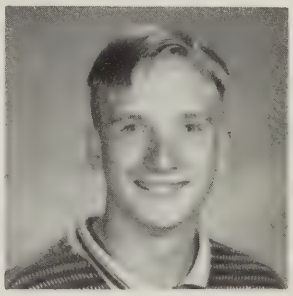
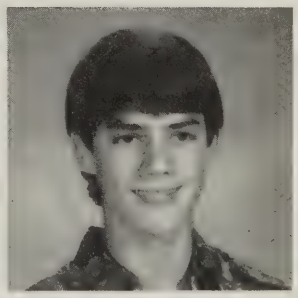


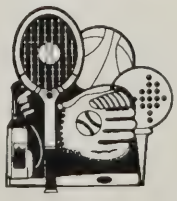
Casey Clark

Nicole Sheperd



Reid Nicholson

Above: **KICKIN' IT!** Senior Robbie Claytor looks to kick it to another player for the goal. Upper Right: **JUST LIKE THIS!** Sophomore Casey Clark studies the ball carefully as he gets ready for the shot. Right: **SET IT UP!** Senior Whitney Matlock sets up a play to run during a game against Christiansburg.



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# Yearbook Staff

## Shield Staff Produces Second Spring Book

### Most Frequently Heard

"
— Has anyone seen a cropper that actually works?
— Which button do I push again to save on the computer?
— What exactly is a folio tab?
— Save some sour straws and hot tamales for me.
— What do you mean the film isn't developed yet!?
— You have to flip that little thingee before the camera will work.
— Don't kick that hackee in here!
— Shut the door!
— Landon and Ben, get to work!
— You mean I have to title my spreads? How about "Various Pictures?" Will that work?
"

Jessica Marshall and Brandon Williams, juniors on yearbook staff, work together designing a layout.

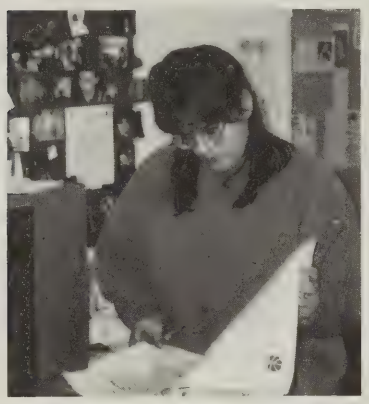
Top: The members in yearbook staff pose for a group shot.
Above: Senior members in yearbook staff take time to build a quick pyramid.

Mrs. McFaden, our staff sponsor, works diligently to help us put the final touches together for each spread.

Juniors Jason Taylor, Heather Harry, Holly Johnson, and Amanda Grogan work as a group to decide which layout they will use next.

Above: The members of yearbook staff pose outdoors for a quick picture. Right: Senior Michele Johnston works on drawing up her layout design before being proofed and sent off to the company to be processed.

**Newspaper staff**
Front row: Jason Jennelle, Hilary Hunt, and Jeremy Bradley. Back row: Misty Hill, Brianna Robinson, Aaron Albert, Kathy Maupin, Julie Keating, Jason Butler, and Jennifer Stafford.



**Just checking . . .**
Misty Hill sorts through a stack of newspapers to make sure they are "fit" for distribution.

**Care to help?**
Hilary Hunt, working frantically to meet her deadline, cuts and pastes on a Christmas layout.

**No errors allowed**
Jennifer Stafford proofreads a list of Christmas messages before placing them in the newspaper.

## Spartonian Staff

# "All the news that's fit to print"

**Hitting the streets**
Kathy Maupin and Aaron Albert set out on a mission to sell a few more newspapers during 6th period.

It's Now Time To Say

# *Farewell Mr. Gary Clark*

From the echo of the first bell in August 1966 until the last diploma was awarded June 7, 1997 Mr. Gary Clark has been an important person in the lives of all GHS students. As he moves on to a new and improved lifestyle, Mr. Clark ends an almost legendary stint at GHS.

***An assistant principal never retires; he just closes his office door for good . . .***

**From the archives**
Mr. Clark gazes across the golf course on another early May morning.

**Teeing off**
During his spare time, Mr. Gary Clark plays a few holes of golf.

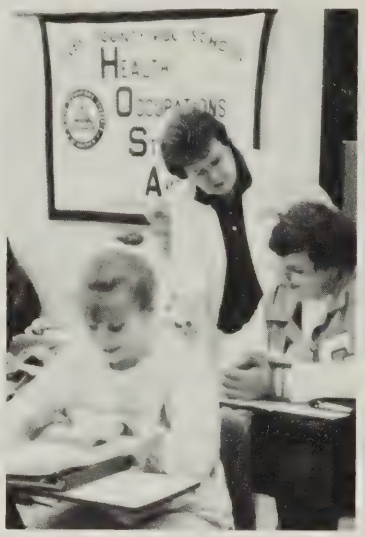
**A look at young Mr. Clark**
Even this primary school picture captured his infamous grin.

**Let's chat**
Mr. Clark spends a sunny afternoon in pleasant conversation.

**BETTER SAFE THAN SORRY!** (Above) Senior Roger Simpkins makes sure everything is safe and ready to go before he begins a welding project.

**A WATCHFUL EYE!** (Right) Senior Emanuel Young watches carefully as Michael Martin works on a welding project.

**LOOKING TOWARD THE BOARDS . . .** (Below) In nursing, Mrs. Dowdy helps senior Shaun Wimmer with a problem in the text book.



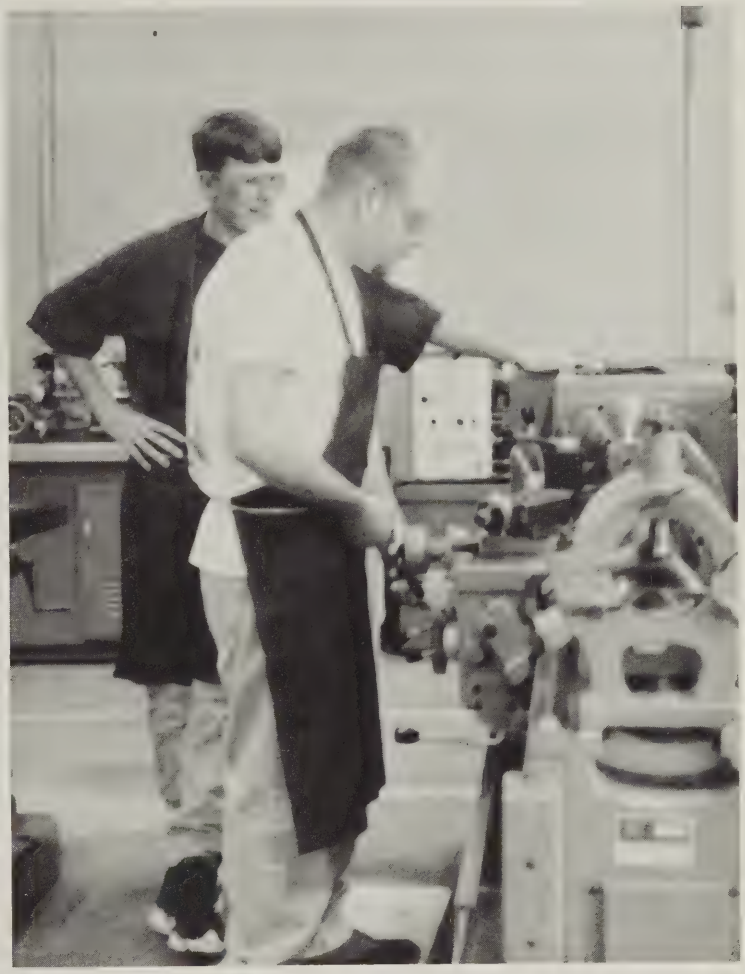
**PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT!** (Above) Jeanna Anderson practices basic skills on a dummy before beginning work on a "real" person in cosmetology.

**HOLD IT STEADY!** Michael Martin concentrates on a delicate project in welding.

# VOCATIONAL

**BE EXACT . . .** (Below) Senior stin Johnston measures a truck before repairing it in auto mechanics.

**THE CUTTING EDGE . . .** (Right) Seniors Chris Ruth and B.J. Evans work hard to finish a project in machine shop.



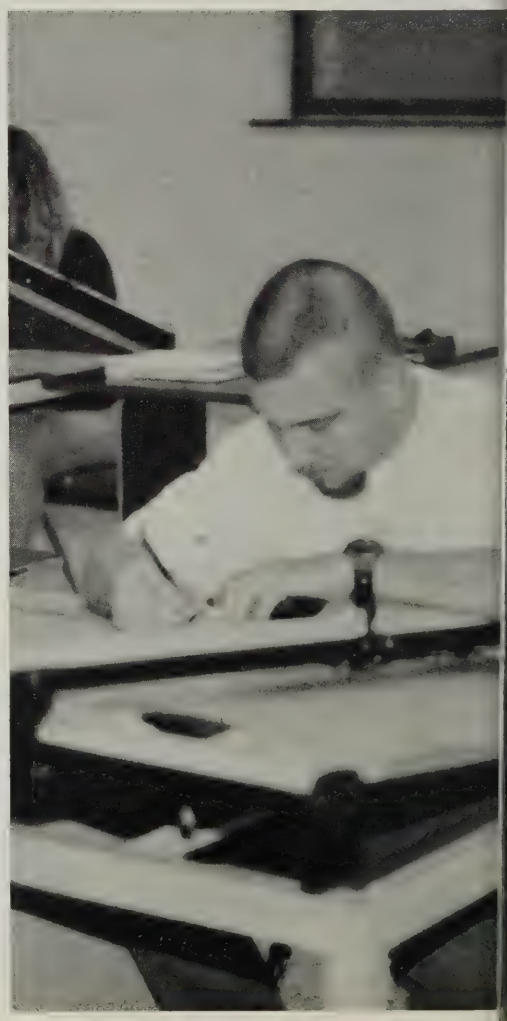
**CUT, CLIP AND CURL!** (Left) Stephanie Robbins fine-tunes her styling technique by practicing the basic skills of hairstyling.

**THIS IS THE PLAN . . .** (Above) Mr. Jones explains a blue print to Michael Perdue, B.J. Evans and Chris Ruth.

# Working Hard

Upper left: **SNIPP, SNIPP!** Senior Scott Hetherington cuts wires exactly the way it should be in electronics.

Above: **A Steady Hand!** Senior Michael Perdu paints a part for machine shop.

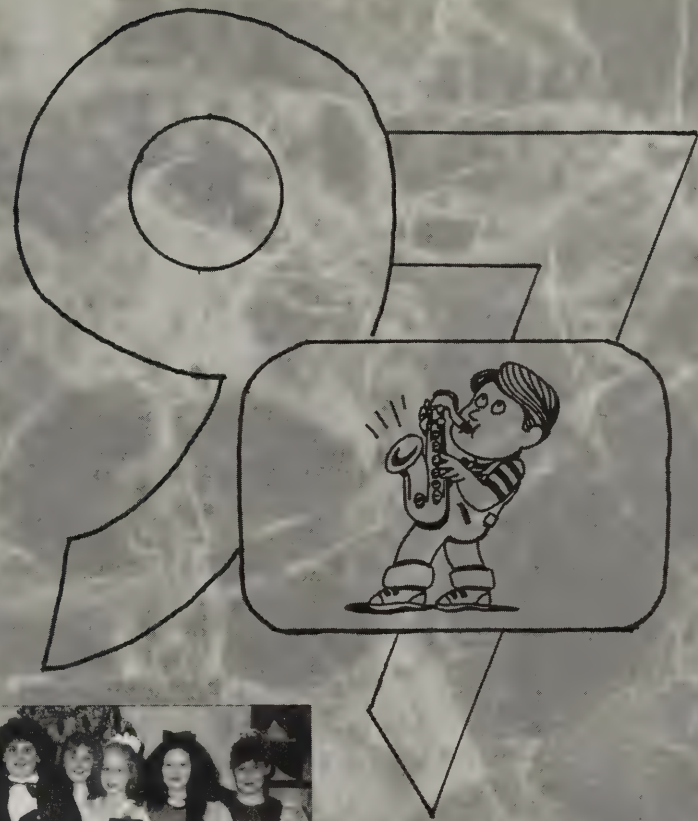


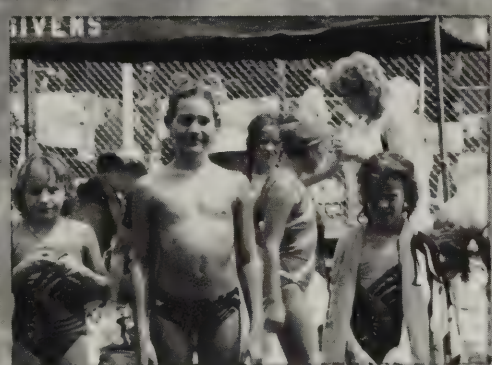
Lower left: **WHERE IS IT!** Junior Rylee Rhodes looks for a tool to use for her drafting project.

Above: **Working to Perfection.** Natasha Lucas works on her basic hair skills in cosmetology.

Lower right: **MAKING IT EXACT!** Michael Giles does everything exactly right in drafting.

# Organizations



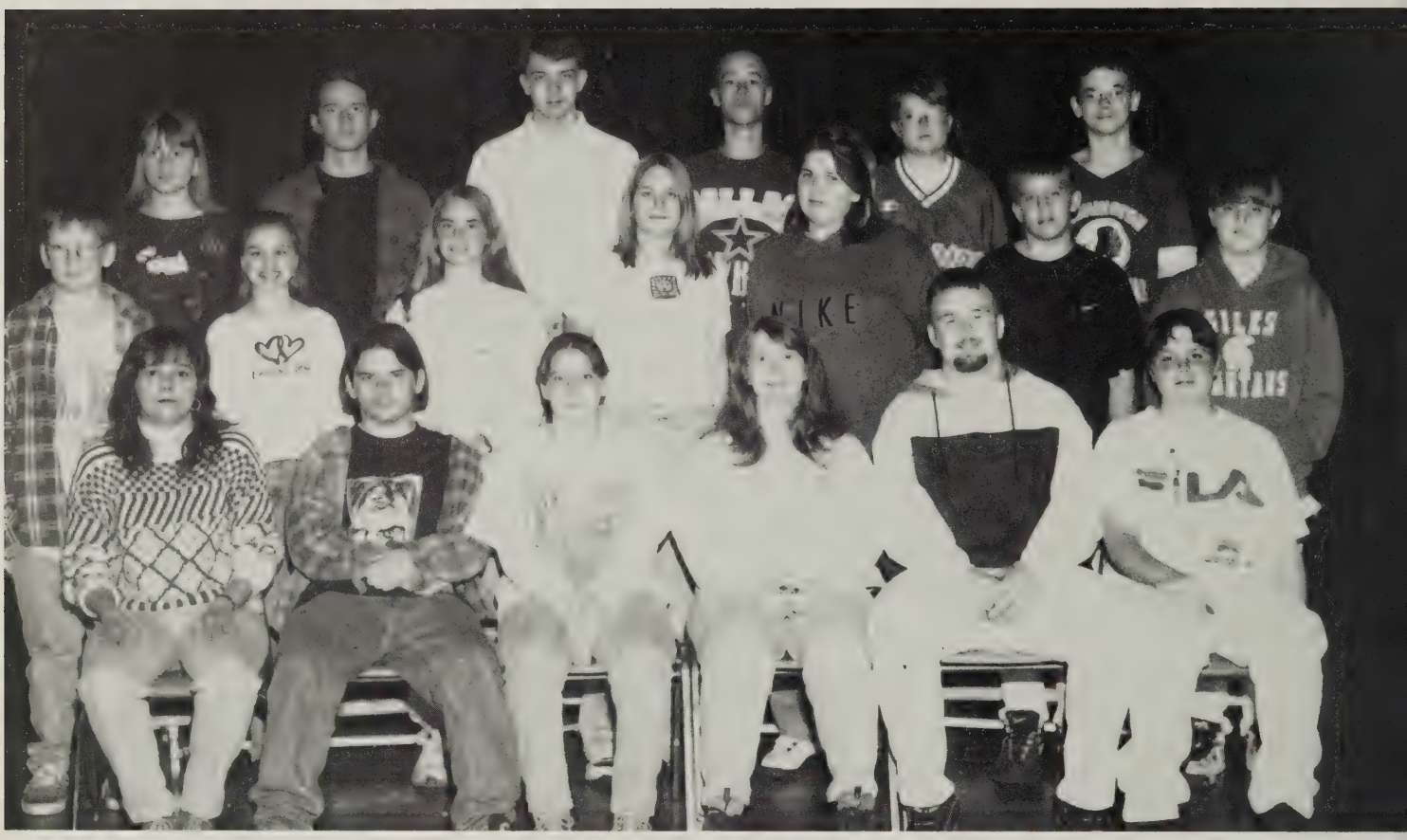


*The Way We...*

# *Belonged*

When time came to compete and perform in competition members of Art, Drama, FBLA and FFA represented themselves well.

# BRINGING OUT THE BEST



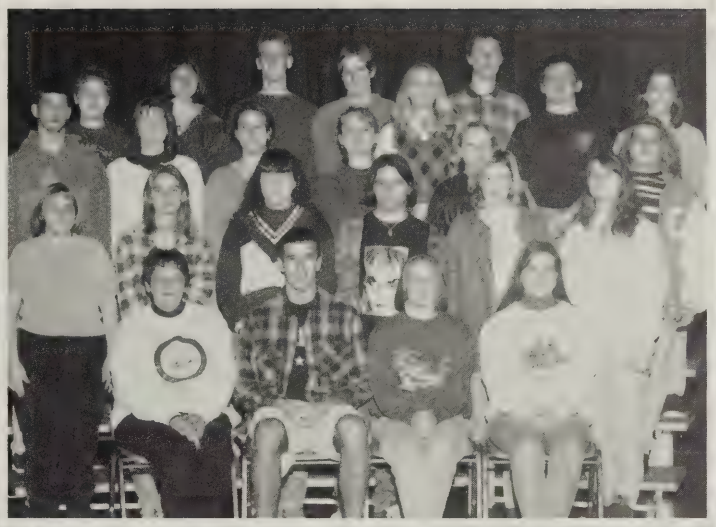
**ART CLUB**

First Row: Sponsor Mrs. Gordon, David Henderson, Amanda Smith, Shannon Bohn, Jeremy Saunders, Brandon Whittaker. Second Row: Matt Williams, Shannon Gilmer, Becky St. Ledger, Stephanie Godwin, Sommer Foley, John Smith, Travis Oakes. Third Row: Amanda Porterfield, Ben Yolton, Derrick Lang, Mark Dunbar, Matthew Thompson, David Taylor.

The Art Club has planned an exciting event this year. They plan to go to the Ranolda House in North Carolina. The Ranolda House features many works of American artwork. At every club meeting the members learn something new and exciting about art.

## DRAMA CLUB

First Row: Sponsor Mrs. McGraw, Aaron Albert, Megan Noble, Michele Johnston. Second Row: Kelly Eaton, Ilse Scott, Hillary Hunt, David Henderson, Jennifer Stafford, Shannon Bohn. Second Row: Landon Cassidy, Jodi Mullins, Amy Wilson, Jessica Clark, Erin Martin, Melanie Morris. Fourth Row: Wendy Snidow, Whitney Matlock, Jamie Meadows, Jason Porterfield, Julie Keating, Brandon Williams, Adam Jeffers, Donna Medley.



The Drama Club helps in the performance of all plays at Giles. The club members work hard throughout the year preparing props and helping with scripts for the plays. Most of the Drama Club members are also involved with the Theater Arts class through the year.

## FBLA

First Row: Angie Riggs Jason Jennelle, Stuart Davis, Jessica Bowman, Melissa Niece. Second Row: Tabitha Faw, Pam Riggs, Melissa Shultz, Erin Price. Third Row: Tammy Whittaker, Lori Talbert, Patience St. Ledger, Andy French.

The FBLA was very involved with their school and community this year. The food drive this year was a great success and needy families in the county received food to prepare a dinner over the holidays. FBLA also competes in many competitions throughout the year, in everything from accounting to business law.

## FFA

First Row: Sponsor Mr. Frantz, Johnny Burton, Glen Moser, Jeremy Ross, George Merix, Jason Burton. Second Row: John Ross, Tommy Howell, Eric Carter, Eric Hite. Third Row: Chad Smith, Richard Hodge, Teddy Clark, Anthony Denson.

The FFA has had a very successful club year. Starting the year off, the FFA won first place in the Homecoming parade with their theme "Plow the Bobcats Under". The FFA fruit sales served as a very successful fundraiser for them. They also did well in many competitions through the year.

*What do National Family Week, a trip to France, and the stock market have in common? They're all club activities at GHS.*

# FHA, French Club, and History Club

*Buy! No, wait. Sell!*
Stock Market Simulation participants Zeb Bowden, Kelly Myers, Keely Athey, and Robbie Claytor check the *Wall Street Journal* to see how their stocks are doing.

*French National Honor Society*
Seated with French Club sponsor Mrs. Martin are French National Honor Society members Hilary Hunt, Laura Martin, Traci Ervin, and Andy French.

*History in the making*
History Club member David Henderson, working on the 1996-1997 GHS Video History, receives technical advice from club sponsor W.R. Johnston.

## Future Homemakers of America

First Row: Ms. Gautier, Patricia White, April Farmer, Morgan Conley, Teri Mays, and Chrystal Perdue. Second row: Alisha Lucas, Brandi Booth, Cynthia Croy, Erika Smith, Tina McCroskey, Vanessa Dunford, Heather Fontaine, and Samantha Johnston. Third row: Chrystal Snider, Brandy Viars, Lisa Kinzie, Rebecca Dalton, Lanette Patterson, Chrystal Metz, and Kim Robertson. Fourth row: Patti Taylor, Kaila Condrey, Tina Rogers, Krista Hale, Amanda Traynor, and Sally Collins. Fifth row: Melissa Ramos, Sarah Vest, Mac Harvey, Chrissy Johnson, Amanda Jones, and Chrystal Davis.

## Family Week

November 25-29 was National Family Week. FHA members heightened awareness of this event by wearing ribbons and placing locker tags throughout the school.

## French Club

First row: Ms. Martin, Hilary Hunt, Traci Ervin, Megan Noble, Melanie Morris, Timmy Sanders, Rachel Williams, and Kelly Eaton. Second row: Sarah Miller, Amy Wilson, Chrystal Wilburn, Chrystal Stafford, Missy Carter, Jessica Marshall, and Jeremy Bradley. Third row: Laura Martin, Nicole Shephard, Jessica White, B.J. Smith, Travis Jones, Erin Martin, and Andy French. Fourth row: Brianna Robinson, Chad Price, Justin Ward, Wes Beckner, Angela Kinzie, and Jerry Martin. Fifth row: Casey Overturf, Peter Cooper, and Elaine Groseclose.

## European Vacation

This summer several members of the French Club will embark on a nine-day trip to Europe, which will include stopovers in France and Switzerland.

## History Club

First row: Mr. Johnston, Jessica Clark, Jason Porterfield, Sarah Lucas, Freedom Kelley, Laura Martin, Jenny Burn, Hilary Hunt, and Stephen Hypes. Second row: Deanna Martin, Amanda Meredith, Donna Medley, Zeb Bowden, Jenny Buchanan, Adam Mills, and Emily Meredith. Third row: Clay Davis, Rachel Williams, Jamie Jennell, Wendy Snidow, Amy Ryder, and Jason Huffman. Fourth row: Russ Johnston, Keely Athey, Jamie Meadows, Robbie Claytor, and Ashley Kendall.

## Busy Schedule

The History Club has many activities planned for this year, including the Stock Market Simulation, Model U.N., National History Day, and the annual GHS Video History.

## Library Club

Front row: Club Sponsor Mrs. Thomas, Julie Keating, Anna Marie Meador, Chris Hutchison, Jeremy Bradley. Second row: Tabitha Faw and Amy Jones.

## Senior Library Assistants Contribute

Librarian Mrs. Thomas trains a student for each class period to assist her in the library.

## HOSA

Front row: Crystal Robertson, Barbara Gooslin, Melissa Carter; club Sponser Mrs. Nancy Dowdy, Chrystal Snyder, Morgain "Robin" Robins. Second row: Kim Guynn, Jennifer Darnell, Anna Atkinson, Laura Baily, Shaun Wimmer.

HOSA Club focuses on saving lives.

HOSA Club members learn valuable techniques in how to save lives.

## Key/Keyette

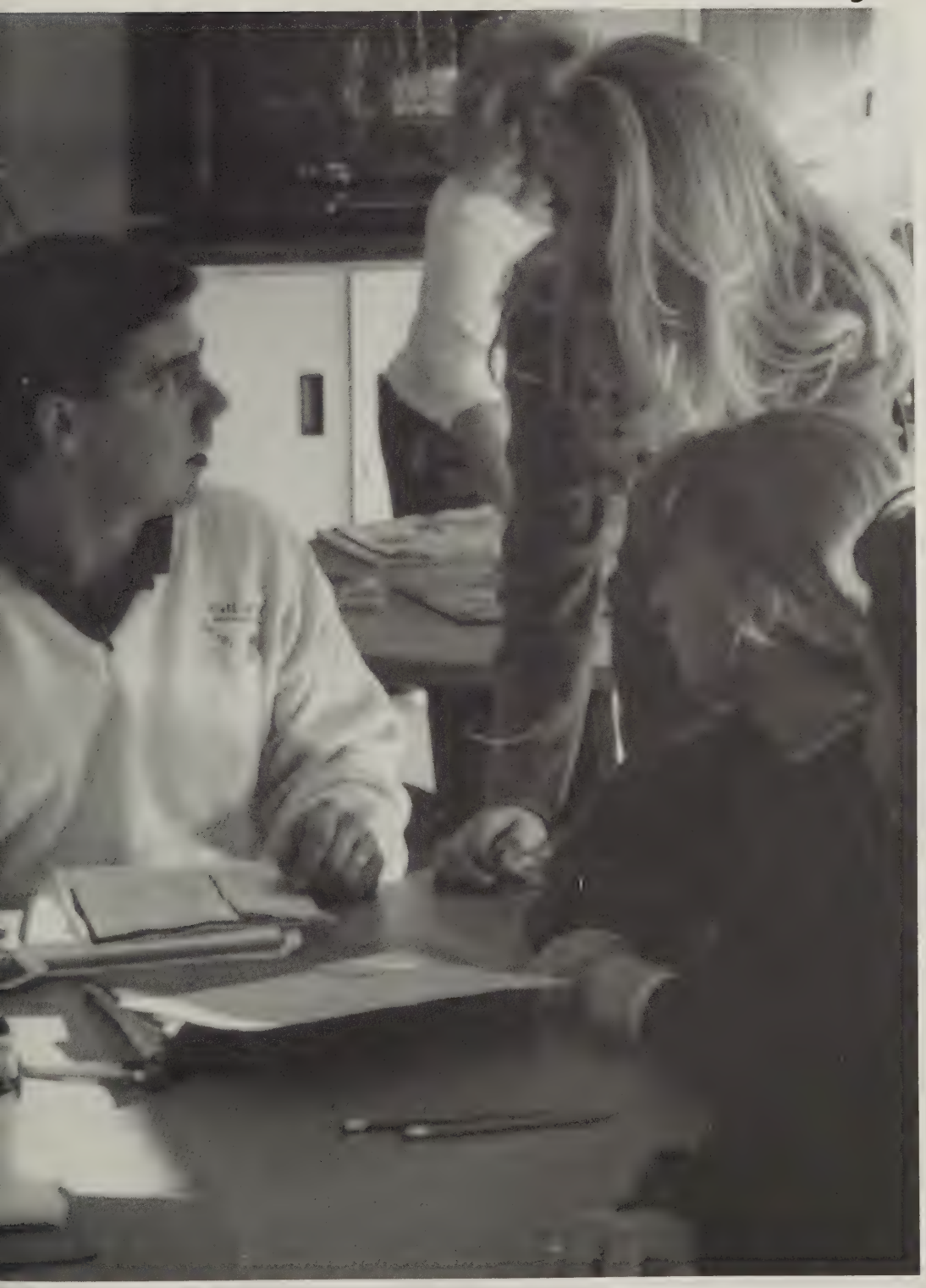
First row: Tiffany Bowman, Sarah Bostock, Sarah Lucas, Amy Ryder, Keeley Athey, Holly Johnson, Angela Fraley. Second row: Crystal Price, Coach Howlett, Robbie Claytor, Jessica Clark, Jamie Jennell, Rachel Williams. Third row: Amanda Meredith, April Meredith, Kim Harvey, Deanna Martin, Holly McCall, Amy Wilson, Karah Dunn, Whitney Matlock, Jackie Phillips, David Henderson, Kathy Maupin. Fourth row: Kristen White, Chris Ruth, Betsy Deboard, Melanie Morris, Tracy Ratcliffe, Bret Nicholson, Lori Douthat, Lori Marion, Jenny Buchanan, Russell Bowling, Amaris Patterson, Chris Ratcliffe, Timmy Sanders, Seth Bandy. Fifth row: Julie Keating, Stephanie Jones, Courtney McGuire, Megan Noble, Michele Johnston,

## Service Clubs

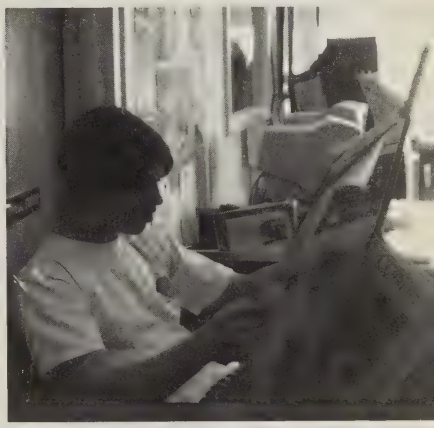
Jodi Mullins. Sixth row: Sarah Wilson, Leslie Perdue, Sheri Miller, Heather Harry, Donna Medley, Tarah Brown, Jessica Caldwell, Mary Sweeney, Rachel Mann, Tarah Phillips, Kim Clark. Seventh row: Landon Cassidy, Zeb Bowden, Casey Clark, Stephen Hypes, Scott Hetherington, Jamie Meadows, Micah Steele, Jeremy Bradley, Jason Porterfield, Justin Bostic, Anna Maria Meador, B.J. Evans, Tripp Bane, Donny Waldron, Chris Hutchison.

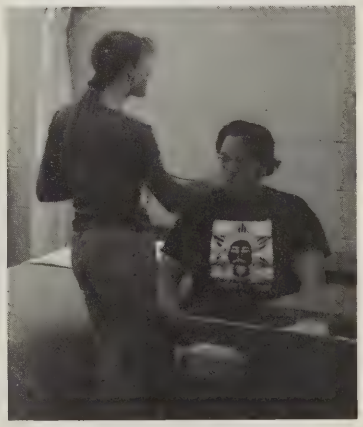
*Just when classes began to slow down.*

# It Was Club Day!



***Taking it easy.***
Senior Library Assistant Chris Hutchison relaxes in the library while catching up on the day's news.





***Open Wide.***
Hosa Club members Anna Atkinson takes the temperature of senior Shaun Wimmer while practicing nursing techniques in class.

***Helping Out.***
Key Club sponsor Coach John Howlett discusses plans for a fund-raiser with seniors Julie Keating, Jessica Clark, and Laura Martin.

# Striving to be their best!

Peer Counselors are here so students can share what's on their mind — just to be an understanding and listening ear.

The five original peer counselors are seated: Cherad Woodyard, Amelia Tuckwiller; standing, Freedom Kelley, Brooks Taylor, and Laura Martin. The sponsors, Mr. Holley on the left and Mr. Marion on the right.

National Honor Society members are chosen based on four pillars of society: character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

National Honor Society. Sponsor, Mrs. Yolton; President Hilary Hunt, Vice-President Laura Martin; Secretary Jessica Bowman; Reporter Jamie Jennell. Next row: Melissa Niece, Cherad Woodyard, Megan Noble, Jessica Clark, Kelly Eaton, Russel Bowling, Lori Talbert. Third row: Jodi Mullins, Ben Yolton, Shannon Bohn, Ilse Scott, Jenny Burn, Tommy Workman. Fourth row: Aaron Albert, Michele Johnston, Wendy Snidow, Brianna Robinson, Dawn St. Clair, Stuart Davis. Last row: Adam Jones, Jason Butler, Robbie Claytor, Pete Cooper, Adam Mills.

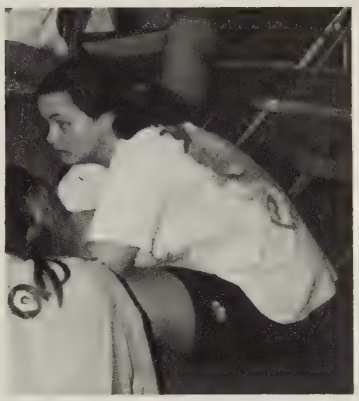
Mongram Club members take turns selling candy after school and at games to raise the money for their letterman jackets.

Monogram. President Michele Johnston; Vice-President Megan Noble, Secretary Jodi Mullins, Treasurer Melanie Morris, Reporter Jamie Meadows, Next row: Leslie Perdue, Amber Jones, Whitney Matlock, Jessica Clark, Wendy Snidow, David Henderson, and Casey Clark. Third row: Heather Harry, Dawn St. Clair, Amy Wilson, Donna Medley, TJ Dowdy, Angie Shrader, Lori Talbert and Andy Johnston. Fourth row: Landon Cassidy, Brandon Williams, Chris Bales, Derek Wilson, Chris Hutchinson, Tommy Workman and Andy French.

Cherad Woodyard fixes letters goi out to every student about the P Counseling Program.

Here the peer counselors discuss new ideas to make the counseling a success. There are also new Peer Counselors joining the group: Tiffany Bowman, Jessica Pyles, Lori Marion, John Meredith, Shelly White, Donnie Waldren, Christina Smith.

Peer Counselors are great listeners, as Freedom Kelley demonstrates in this picture.



National Honor Society members usually go home with backpacks stuffed with work. This backpack belonging to a National Honor Society member is a good example of this.

## SADD

Front Row: Vanessa Patterson, Sara Wilson, Mary Alice Muncy, Amelia Tuckwiller, Mrs. Mann, Whitney Matlock, Karrah Dunn, Leslie Houck, Laura Martin, Amanda Price, Krista Williams, Christina Smith. Second Row: Kelly Warner, Avery Dollinger, Kim Trenar, Ashley St. Clair, Danielle Kerr, Julie Wood, Emily Meredith, Josh Snyder, Michele Johnston, Carrie Williams, Billy Meredith, Deanna Martin, Donna Medley, Amanda Meredith, Holly Johnson, Erin Wiegand, Jennifer Butler, Patti Talbert, Kelly Young, Patience St. Ledger, Ashley Radford, Chrissy Johnston. Third Row: Zeb Bowden, Nichole Jones, Julie Keating, Cherad Woodyard, Lori Marion, Kathy Maupin,

### A big turnout for SADD

Jennifer Horn, Kim Clark, Jessica Caldwell, April Lucas, Sarah Keister, Angie Shrader, Shelly White, Adam Mills, Stephanie Godwin, Lori Douthat, T.J. Dowdy, Duaine Collins, Trey David, Rachel Mann, Derek Hare, Pam Thompson. Fourth Row: Andrew Simmons, Michael Dickerson, Daniel Lafon, Jason Butler, Daniel Dufault, Adam Jeffers, Ben Cassidy, Adam Jones, Tee Peoples, Aaron Albert, Brandon Williams, Stephen Linkous, Stephen Hypes, Kristin White, Chris Ruth, Dawn St. Clair, Roger Simpkins, Emanuel Young.

## SCA

Front Row: Mr. McGraw, Adam Jeffers, Jackie Phillips, Michele Johnston, Amy Ryder, Jamie Meadows. Second Row: Rachel Sanders, Krista Williams, Traci Ervin, Dawn St. Clair, Lori Marion, Lori Douthat, Nichole Shephard. Third Row: Sarah Miller, Lucy Muncy, Trey David, Jessica Clark, Jamie Jennell, Megan Noble, Sarah Keister. Fourth Row: Amanda Price, Nikki Reynolds, Crystal Perdue, Shannon Bohn, Amelia Tuckwiller, Kim Clark. Fifth Row: Samantha Johnston, Aaron Albert, Robbie Claytor, Jason Jennelle, Matthew Hayes, Chad Price.

### Leaders of the school

Every class picks a representative to participate in meetings that take place to better the school.

## SAE

Front Row: Mrs. Coulter, Jenny Burn, Sandra Ratcliffe, Kelley Eaton, Sarah Vest, Shannon Bohn, Mrs. Redmond. Second Row: Kelly Young, Ashley St. Clair, Kim Trenar, Patti Talbert, Jennifer Butler, Jon Altizer, Lucy Munsey, Erin Wiegand. Third Row: Deseree Warner, Jessica White, Amanda Stevers, Sarah Wilson, Christina Smith, Amelia Tuckwiller, Monica Baker, Elizabeth Stafford. Fourth Row: Laura Martin, Shelley White, Brooks Taylor, Sarah Keister, Justin Ward, Avery Dolinger, Chris Morris, Lauren Goode, Shawn Snyder, Brianna Robertson.

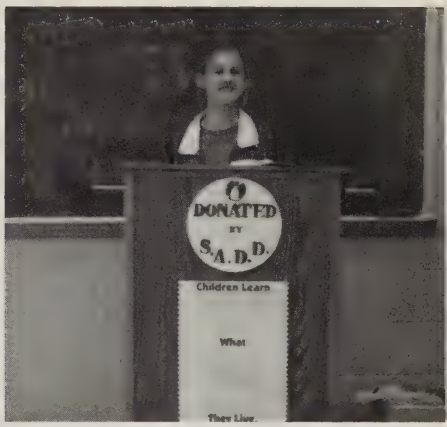
### Students Active in Education

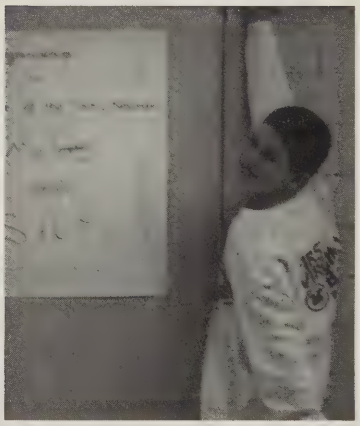
Members promote learning through various club activities.

*Clubs are a great way to keep a lot of people involved in school activities.*

# Clubs rely on hard work

***Leaders***
Chad Price, Nicole Sheperd and Nikki Reynolds are the SCA representatives for their classes.



***Helpful***
Erin Wiegand is a SADD member posing in front of one of the many podiums that SADD has donated around the school.

***Who's Next***
SAE member Jon Altizer is showing the Teacher of the Month poster that SAE awards each month.

## S.O.D.A.

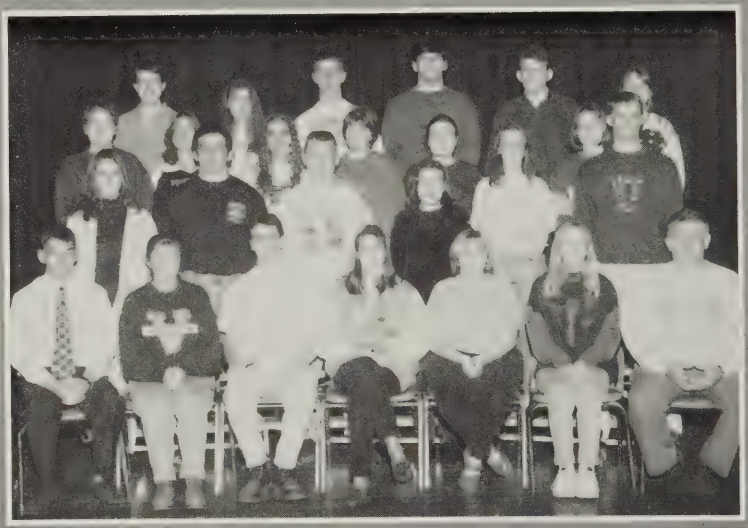
From left to right: Sponsor Ms. Judy Mann, Adam Jeffers, Laura Martin, President Carrie Williams, Brandon Williams, Cherad Woodyard. Not pictured: Freedom Kelley.

### REACHING OUT!

The S.O.D.A. Club (Student Organization for Developing Attitudes) reaches out to elementary kids in the fourth grade at Eastern and Macy. The club tries to teach the importance of a good attitude against drugs or alcohol use.

## SMARTT

Front Row: Sponsor David Holly, SMARTT Team Members: Amelia Tuckwiller, Brooks Taylor, Jenny Burn, Kelly Eaton, Cherad Woodyard, Head Sponsor Larry Marion. Second Row: Sandra Ratcliff, Adam Jeffers, Zeb Bowden, Laura Martin, Adam Jones. Third Row, Club Members: Wendy Snidow, Patience St. Ledger, Mary Alice Muncy, Shelly White, Crystal Wilburn, Deanna Martin, Emily Meredith. Back Row: Donnie Waldron, Jessica Caldwell, Justin Ward, Stephen Linkous, Jerry Martin, Mary Sweeney.



### TURNING TOGETHER

SMARTT (Students Making a Right Turn Together) is a club that spends its time teaching eighth graders about drug and alcohol awareness. Once every six weeks the group splits up and goes to eighth grade exploratory classes to teach a lesson on the importance of not doing drugs or alcohol because of the effects on the body and mind.

## Science Club

Front Row: Jessica Bowman, Ilse Scott, Sandra Ratcliff, Jason Porterfield, Jenny Burn, B.J. Dunford. Sponsors: Randy Roe, Earl Ventry.

### EXPERIMENTING

The Science Club spends time concocting fun and explosive experiments. This group of individuals has a common interest in science and problem solving.

*Just when it seemed that school was nothing but work, clubs saved us all by giving a little time to have fun.*

# WHO SAID ALL WORK AND NO PLAY?

### TAKING A BREAK

Below: Senior Adam Jones and freshman Stephen Linkous get caught taking a break while they should be making up lesson plans for the SMARTT Club!

### HELPING OUT

Carrie Williams, president of S.O.D.A., tries to figure out a solution to a problem in a note from one of her fourth grade students.

### SAY CHEESE

Left: Michael Peoples gives Mr. Ventry bunny ears while the science club takes time out from an experiment for a picture.

## Spanish Club

Front row: Mrs. Snidow, Wendy Snidow, Jessica Clark, Tarah Phillips, Jamie Meadows, Justin Bostic. Second row: Erin Price, Tracy Ratcliffe, April Meredith, Betsy Debord, Mary Sweeney, Jenny Pyles, Tammy Sarver, Jackie Phillips, Felicia Rankin, Amanda McCroskey, Crystal Wilburn Third row: KIm Harvey, Jennifer Stafford, Stephanie Jones, Tarah Brown, Holly McCall, Freddi Merix, Kara Hunt, April Farmer, Ashley Kendall. Fourth row: Russ Johnston, Anna Maria Meador, Sarah Wilson, Leslie Perdue, Kelley Perdue, Jenny Buchanan, Leslie Williams, Sheri Miller, Mellisa Ramos, Josh Bishop. Back row: Micheal Giles, Landon Cassidy, Robbie Claytor, Tripp Bane, Casey Clark, Andy Johnston, Evan Bowling, Joey Rankin, Micheal Peoples, Derek Wilson.

## Expanding Learning Experiences

The Spanish Club allows these students to take their education past the classroom. They sample traditional Mexican and Spanish food, watch plays and movies, and enjoy fellowship with other Spanish-speaking students.

## Jr. Spanish Club

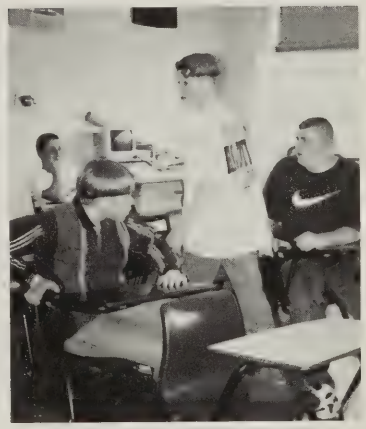
First row: Brooks Taylor, Jason Lucas, Jennifer Cunningham, Nikki Reynolds. Second row: Eric Burton, David Claytor, Ace Godfrey. Last row: Danny Waldron, Reggie Stephens, Daniel Robertson, Chris Perdue, Davey Kerr.

## A Starting Off Point

The Jr. Spanish Club allows the younger students to experience more Spanish culture, while waiting to be a part of the Sr. Spanish Club.

# Keeping On Task

*Leading a Meeting*
President Wendy Snidow talks to the club members about upcoming events and activities. This year the Spanish Club planned a trip to Disney World and Epcot.



*Discussing Possibilities*
Seniors Landon Cassidy, Robbie Claytor, and Justin Bostic talk about community projects that they would like to do.

*Junior Spanish Club*
These students are getting organized for their first club meeting.

Freshmen Sarah Keister and Samantha Correll pep up the rallies with a fanfare of melodies on their flutes.

Freshman Reed Nicholson takes a quick break after giving a well-played performance. Due to the weight of the tuba, physical strength is necessary.

These senior trumpeteers conclude their years playing in the high school band. They have discovered their musical talents and have displayed them for everyone's enjoyment.

Drummers David Henderson, Seth McCracken, Wes Beckner, and Brooks Taylor lead the band down mainstreet as they set the mood and rhythm for the parade.

This jazz number is performed by the saxophone section which includes the following members: Brandon Whittaker, Leslie Houck, Lori Talbert, Dan Wachsman, Carrie Cooper, and Ben Yolton.

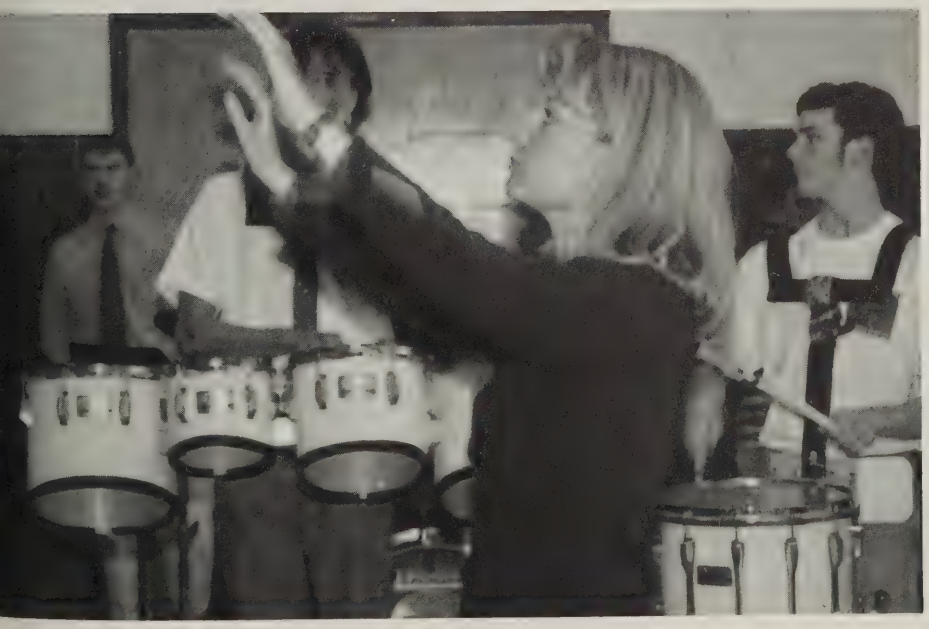
Sophomore Jessica Caldwell executes "presents" as she marches with the band on a breezy fall afternoon.

# Melody in Motion

## The sounds of the past, present, and future

Row 1: Mr. David Holley, Jessica Clark, Lori Talbert, Tarah Phillips, Row 2: Brooks Taylor, Reed Nicholson, Amelia Tuckwiller, Deanna Martin, Kathy Johnson, Kim Harvey, Jacki Phillips, Pam Riggs, Andy Bowden, Row 3: Michael Paul Worley, Brandon Whittaker, Sarah Davis, Sam Correl, Sarah Keister, Alison Reynolds, Melanie Collins. Row 4: Wes Beckner, Donnie Waldron, Brian Grogen, Adam Mills, Joey Ryder, Dan Wachsman, Emily Meredith, Kerri Cooper, Leslie Houck, Shannon McCoy. Row 5: Seth McCracken, Garret Neice, Eric Akers, Peter Cooper, Stephen Hypes, David Henderson, Sandra Ratcliff, Ben Yolton, Shelly White, Sherry Miller, and Wendy Snidow.

The few, the dedicated, the Flag Squad! Row 1: Ashley Jamison and Shannon Bohn. Row 2: Captain — Freddie Merix and Jessica Caldwell, (not pictured: Co. Captain — Katrennia Rust.)



The cold did not freeze the majorettes' spirits. Marlene Lafon (left) and Christina Simmons do not let the bitter wind stop them from performing a baton routine during each football game.

Senior drum major Jessica Clark exhibits excellent control in directing the band during pep rally.

# Symphonic Chorale

The Symphonic Chorale is made up of the best singers in the school. The Chorale stays busy year round performing for various events in and out of the community. The most important of these is competition. This spring the Chorale traveled to Atlanta, Georgia to compete.

**Chorale Officers:**
Megan Noble — President
Kelly Eaton — Vice-Pres.
Michele Johnston — Vice-Pres.
Sarah Vest — Secretary
Amber Jones — Reporter
Adam Jones — Officer-at-Large

Far right: Sophomore Lori Marion arrives, dressed in her Spartan apparel, ready to work in the Bandana Bar. The Bandana Bar is run by members of the Chorale during all home football games.

Sophomore Rachel Mann takes a break during Chorale Camp to smile for the camera. Right: Seniors Shannon Bohn, Sandra Ratcliff, Kelly Eaton and Adam Jones pose for a picture outside on a bright sunny day.

Freshman Stephen Linkous enjoys the ride in the Homecoming Parade. Many Chorale members showed their Spartan spirit by riding on the Chorale's float. Far right: The alto section flashes their smiles for the camera for a group shot. Copy and layout design by Cherad Woodyard.

Some sopranos and tenors wait for their next entrance while singing *Angels We Have Heard on High* in the Christmas concert.

The Choral Ensemble listens as Mr. Marion announces their next piece, Cannon Carol. It was one of the group's favorite Christmas songs.

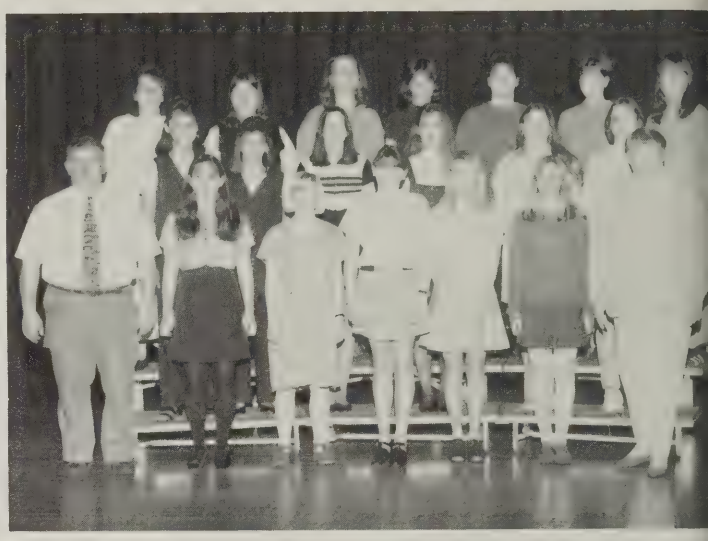
Mr. Marion smiles after receiving a Christmas gift from the Chorale. Each year the Chorale buys gifts for Mr. Marion and Mr. and Mrs. Noble.

*Symphonic Chorale*

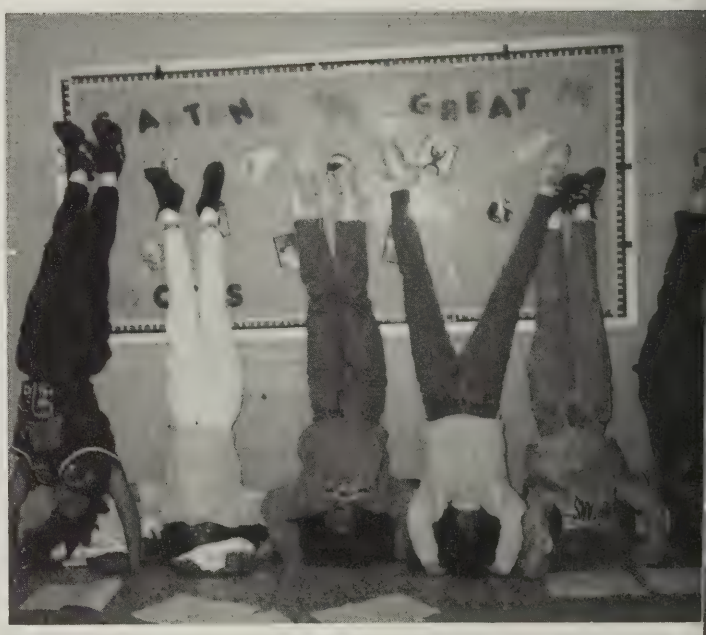
*Choral Ensemble*

# Fifth Period Choir/Womens Choru

1st Row: Mr. Marion, Crystal Price, Ricky Tawney, Ashley Radford, Ashley Williams, Amanda Niece, Mrs. Noble. 2nd Row: Teresa Collins, Amy Martin, Dianna McGuire, April Shultz, Samantha Kirk, Matt Combs, Jason Greene. 3rd Row: Jennifer Rose, Stacy Ratcliff, Heather Higginbotham, Aaron Hale, Avery Dolinger, Beth Greene, Duaine Collins, Philip Tickle.



1st Row: Mr. Marion, Lucy Muncy, Margie Vest, Kelly Young, Chris Smith, Erin Wiegand, Mrs. Noble. 2nd Row: Ashley St. Clair, Kim Tre Shilah Bostock, Jessica Caldwell, Tiffany Bowman, Charity Peters. 3rd R Angie Niece, Jennifer Cunningham, Rebecca Martin, Ashley Kendall, Sa Widrig, Ashley Williams, Mary Ellen Miller.



Top: Aaron Hale, Duaine Collins, Ashley Radford, and Ricky Tawney practice hard to get their notes just right in time for the spring concert. Bottom: The Womens Chorus' officers sometime get the chance to direct the rest of the group. Right: Jason Greene concentrates carefully on hitting the right notes.

Top: Could you do both: stand on the ceiling and sing at the same time? Ashley Kendall and Mary Ellen Miller have just enough time to share before going back to work.

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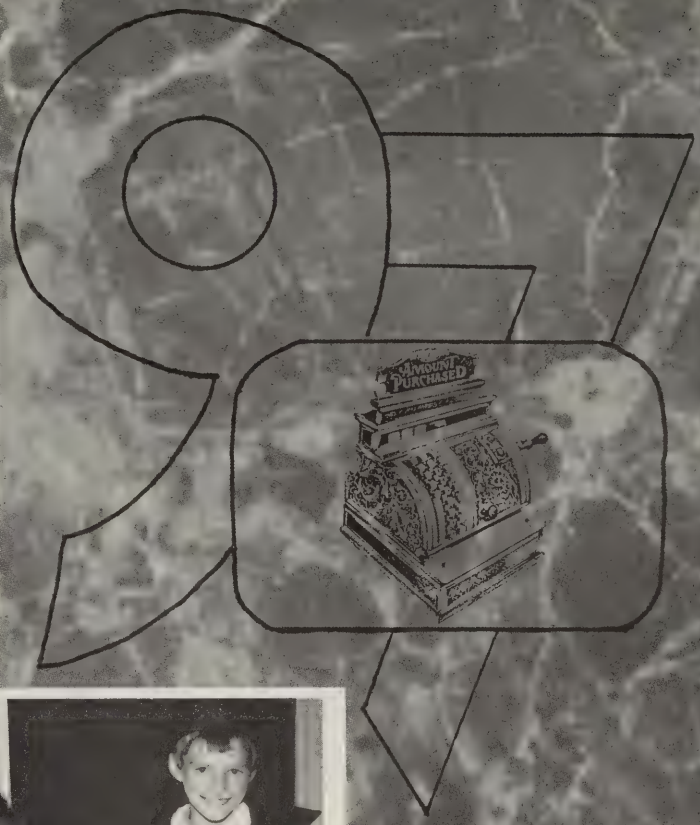

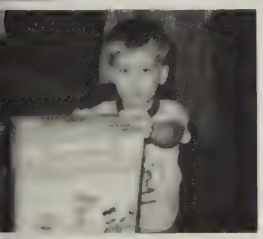

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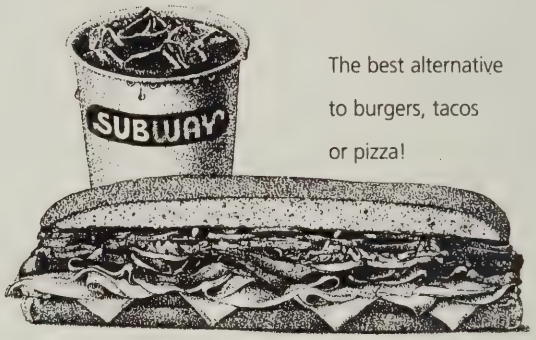


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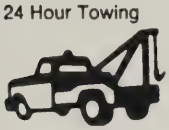

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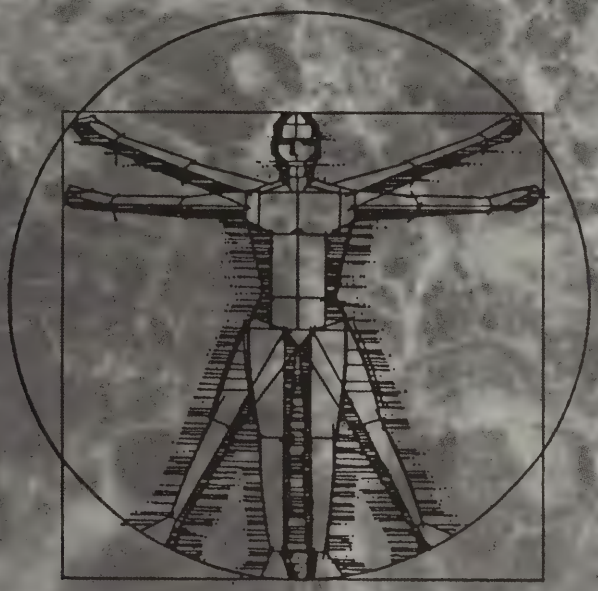

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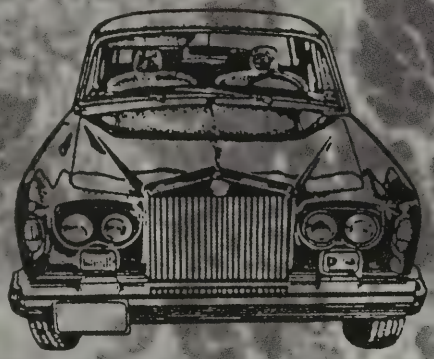

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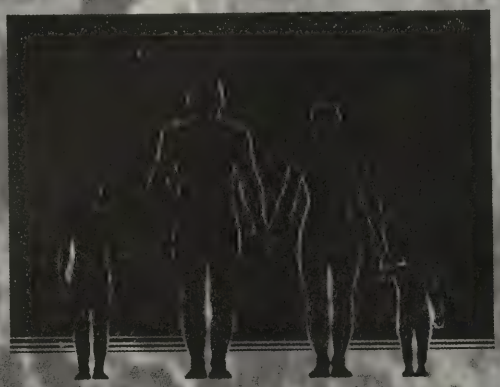

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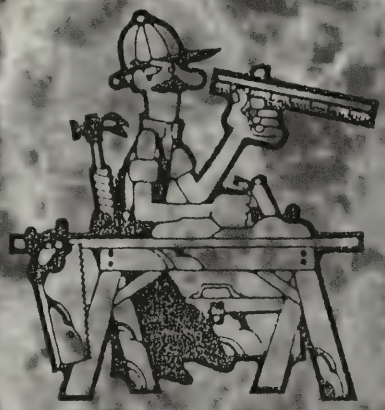

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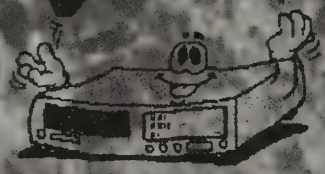

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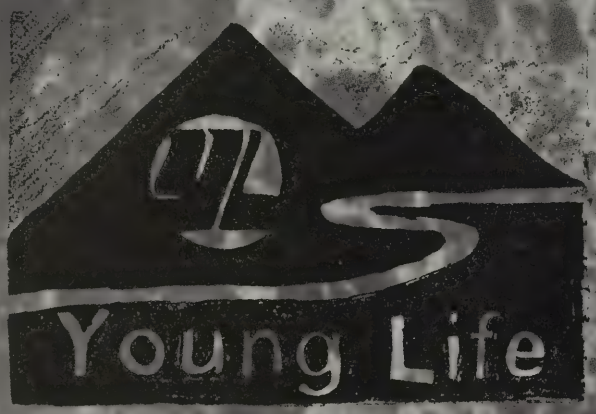

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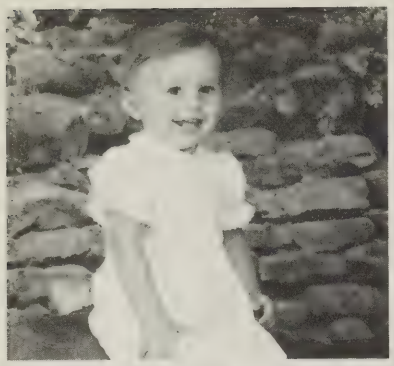
Aaron Thomas Albert Clubs: Drama — pres., SADD, National Honor Society. Sports: eighth grade, JV, varsity basketball. Other: JV, varsity basketball — captain.
Jeanna Mae Anderson Clubs: vice pres. of FHA, VICA Other: Student of the Six Weeks, VICA, Band.
Travis Scott Anderson
Christopher Troy Bales Clubs: Monogram, Key. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity football; JV, varsity baseball. Other: "94" 1st Tean All District, "95" All District Honorable Mention, "96" 2nd Team All District Football.
Robin Lynn Ballard Clubs: FHA, Pep, Spanish, SAE. Sports: eighth grade basketball, eighth grade track, varsity track, varsity volleyball. Other: eighth grade — treas., Who's Who.
Lewis Thomas Bane III Clubs: LEO, Key, FFA, Spanish, Jr. Spanish, SADD. Sports: eighth grade, JV, varsity football; varsi basketball statistician. Other: toiled endlessly at 7-Day.
Mindy Nicole Batson
Dwayne Newton Bennett
Spring Lynette Biddle Clubs: HOSA, Other: Choir 8, Choir 9, Women's Chorus for 2 years.
Shannon Marie Bohn Clubs: Art 1: Secretary; National Honor Society, SAE: treasurer, and reporter; SMARTT, Drama, Choral Ensemble, French Club; reporter. Sports: girls varsity tennis, eighth grade track. Other: Flag Squad, Senior class secretary, drama productions, Choral Ensemble, piano, MACC, English, Science, Jr. and Sr. All District Chorus, Yearbook Senior editor, ADO youth group, Camp Beth Staff, Who's Who, "Annie Get Your Gun", "Oklahoma", "The Beverly Hillbillies".
Justin Michael Bostic Clubs: Spanish, Key, Monogram. Sports: JV, varsity football, JV, varsity baseball. Other: All District Baseball, 1st Team, 2nd Team; Sec. of Spanish Club, more is yet to come.
Zachary Edge Bowden Clubs: SMARTT, Jr. Spanish, Spanish, History — Sergeant at arms, FCA, Monogram, Key, SADD Sports: eighth, J.V., Varsity football; JV baseball — captain; varsity soccer. Other: video yearbook, YADAPP, 1st Team All District Football.
Bradford Dale Bowles Clubs: TSA, VICA. Other: Vocational Student of the Week
Russell Layne Bowling Clubs: Monogram, SADD, Key, National Honor Society. Sports: tennis.
Jessica Rain Bowman Clubs: FBLA — sec.; Science — sec-pres., Monogram, SAE, National Honor Society — sec.; SADD, SMARTT. Sports: cross country, varsity tennis. Other: Student Work Scholarship Program, Who's Who, Young Life: Pres. Lis Honor Roll.
Jeremy Scott Bradley Clubs: French, Band, Library, Key. Sports: tennis.
Benjamin Martin Brown Clubs: SADD, Monogram. Sports: JV, varsity baseball, eighth, JV, varsity basketball, eighth, JV, varsity football. Other: Yearbook Staff, Honorable Mention All Districts in baseball, 2nd Team All Districts in baseball, more yet to come.
Jennifer Anne Taylor Burn Clubs: SAE, SMARTT, Science, SADD, Monogram, History, Drama, National Honor Society. Sports: Soccer, Cross Country, Varsity Track. Other: Sae pres. History Club Newsletter Editor, reporter, treasure, Science Cl co-vice pres., reporter, SMARTT Team, French practicum, Historical Society Volunteer, Youth-Adult Partner, young life, YADAPP, Model U.N., plays, "Oklahoma:, "Annie Get Your Gun."
Jason Paul Butler
Landon Michael Cassidy Clubs: History, Key, Spanish Yearbook Staff. Sports: soccer, eighth grade, JV, varsity basketball, eighth grade track. Other: Three Rivers District Tournament Champs "95", "96"; Soccer — Region "C" Runner-Up, State Quarter Finalist "95", "96", more yet to come, Chorale, Chorale Ensemble, Young Life, Youth Group.
Jessica Diane Clark Clubs: History — pres., vice-pres., Spanish — vice-pres. — historian, Keyettes — pres., SCA, Nationa Honor Society, Drama, Monogram, SMARTT, Pep. Sports: eighth, varsity track, eighth grade cheerleading, cross country. Other: Symphonic Band — Drum Major, Symphonic Chorale; Serve, Learn, and Earn, Model UN, National History Day, church youth group, letterman, VHSL Academic Excellence, VHSL Award of Excellence, TRD Academic Excellence, TRD District Track — Cross Country, All Region — cross country, 2nd Team All Timesland — cross country.
Robert Eugene Claytor Clubs: Monogram, Key, History, Pep, SCA Jr. — pres., SCA freshman — tres., FCA, Spanish. Sp JV, varsity basketball, JV football, varsity soccer. Other: Region Runner up — soccer, District Tournament in basketball, Wh Who, Young Life, Youth Group, National Honor Society.
David Lee Collins
Clarence Lee Conley Clubs: Spanish. Sports: eighth grade football.
Rheannon Leigh Conley Clubs: VICA. Other: eighth grade band, ninth grade band, Student of the Six Weeks at Vocationa
Peter Allen Cooper III Clubs: French, Chess, National Honor Society. Sports: swimming. Other: Boys State 1996, Who's W Chess Club Chairman.
Melissa Yvonne Cumbee Clubs: SADD, Keyettes. Sports: eighth grade, JV, varsity basketball.
Stuart Carr Davis Clubs: Spanish, LEO, FBLA, SADD, National Honor Society. Sports: eighth grade, JV football, tennis. Other: LEO — tres.
Karrah Leigh Dunn Clubs: SADD, Keyettes, SMARTT, History, Drama. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity cheerleading, eighth gr track, softball. Other: Junior Class — tres., SADD — vice-pres., Who's Who, Serve, Learn, and Earn, Symphonic band.

elly Starritt Eaton Clubs: Pep, Spanish/chaplain, SAE/sec., SCA, National Honor Society, Drama. Other: Sr. High All District horus, Symphonic Chorale/v. pres., Choral Ensemble, YADAPP, SMARTT Team.
avid Michael Edwards
racy Shannon Ervin Clubs: French. Other: French Club — vice pres., French National Honor Society.
larion Brownie Evans, Jr. Clubs: Spanish, FAC, Key. Sports: eighth grade, JV, varsity football, JV, varsity baseball.
abitha Ann Faw Clubs: FBLA, Pep. Sports: track. Other: Pep Club — pres.
obert Andrew French Clubs: French — sergeant at arms, Monogram, FBLA. Sports: JV football, JV, varsity baseball. Other: lational Honor Society, National French Honor Society, Who's Who, TRD Academic Excellence, MACC — Science.
lichael Craig Giles Clubs: Spanish. Sports: eighth, J.V., varsity football.
anita Elizabeth Green Clubs: FHA. Sports: track. Other: choir.
ommy Lane Hall
avid Ray Henderson Clubs: FFA, Chesss, Drama, Pep, SAE, History, Spanish, Key. Sports: football, basketball — manager, nnis. Other: MACC, MODEL UN, History Day, Best Section Percussion.
avid Scott Heatherington Clubs: Key. Sports: eighth grade, JV, varsity football, varsity basketball. Other: Junior Class — cretary.
illiam Philip Hilton Clubs: Monogram. Sports: eighth, J.V., varsity football, varsity baseball. Other: VICA, Student of the Six eeks in welding
ara Lea Horn Hilton Clubs: FHA, HOSA. Other: certified nurses assistant.
ason Benjamin Huffman Clubs: History, FFA. Sports: eighth grade track, varsity track, cross country. Other: eighth grade oir, Symphonic Band — Section Leader, All Districts — track — cross country, All Region Awards — cross country, Most aluable Runner — cross country.
ilary Brooke Hunt Clubs: French — pres., History, National Honor Society — pres., Drama. Sports: manager, and score eeper — JV, and varsity volleyball. Other: editor of the Spartonian, capt. of the Social Studies, and All Around MACC ams, school winner of Voice of Democracy, lead roles in two school plays.
hristopher Patrick Hutchison Clubs: Monogram, Key, Spanish. Sports: eighth grade, varsity football, eighth grade, JV asketball, J.V., varsity baseball. Other: 1st Team All District Golf, Baseball — 1st Team All District, 1st Team ll-Timesland, Honorable Mention, All State, 2nd Team All-Timesland, Team MVP, and more yet to come.
tephen Daniel Hypes Clubs: Key, SADD, History. Sports: JV football, cross country, and varsity track. Other: Band, Jazz and, cross country Most Improved, band Best Section Percussion.
acob Adam Jeffers Clubs: Drama, FCA, SMARTT/team leader, SADD, Leo, FBLA, SODA, History/court jester. Sports: ighth, JV, and Varsity Football; Eighth and Varsity Track. Other: SCA — pres., YADAPP.
amie Lynn Jennell Clubs: National Honor Society — reporter, Keyettes — secretary/treasurer/ reporter; Spanish — secretary/ easurer, Drama, Monogram, Pep, Band. Sports: eighth grade track, eighth, JV, varsity cheerleading Co-Captain/Captain; ennis. Other: eighth and 10th grade — pres., 12th grade — v. pres., 10th grade Homecoming Princess, Natl. History Day, st Region, Model U.N., Radford Univ. Math Rally, Stock Market Simulation, 1st Region, Va. Jr. Academy of Science, nternship at Pul. Comm. Hospital under Dr. James W. Wienke, SWVGS Outstanding Jr. Award in chemistry, Math, and esearch, SWVGS Faculty Award for Excellence, Pres. Academic Fitness Award, TRD Academic Excellence Award
ason Hyatt Jennelle Clubs: SCA, FBLA, FCA, Spanish. Sports: Golf. Other: SCA — reporter, Spanish club — treasurer; Golf — 1st Team All Districts, Academic Excellence Award.
ustin Dean Johnston
Michele Leigh Johnston Clubs: SCA — sec. and class rep.; Monogram — pres.; Key — Lt. Gov.; History, Drama — sec.; Pep — sec., SMARTT, FCA, Jr. Spanish — v. pres.; Spanish, SADD, National Honor Society. Sports: Eighth and varsity track — ll District, Eighth — captain; JV, and Varsity cheerleading, Varsity Tennis, JV and Varsity Volleyball — captain/ All District. Other: Symphonic Chorale — v. pres/rep.; Choral Ensemble, Varsity band, Yearbook Staff, "Annie Get Your Gun," "The Beverly Hillbillies," Serve, Learn, and Earn, Virginia Girls State, HOBY Ambassador, Who's Who, Jr. & Sr. High All District Chorus, Snow Court Junior Princess, REACH, VHSL Academic Excellence Award.
Adam Roland Jones Clubs: SMARTT, SADD, History, National Honor Society. Sports: JV football — co captain; JV — co aptain; varsity baseball, JV — co captain, varsity basketball — captain. Other: Symphonic Chorale, Choral Ensemble, Who's Who, All District Chorus, TRD Academic Excellence, VHSL Academic Excellence.
Amy Michelle Jones Sports: eighth grade track. Other: Cosmetology.
Nichole Christine Jones Clubs: SADD, French. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity cheerleading. Other: Chorale, Yearbook Staff, Who's Who, Homecoming Queen, Girl Scouts.
Julie Ann Keating Clubs: SADD, Keyettes, Pep, Spanish, FCA, Drama, Monogram, Library. Sports: eighth grade track, varsity tennis, eighth, JV, varsity cheerleading. Other: Odyssey of the Mind, Newspaper Staff, Symphonic Band, Who's Who, Young Life, 11th grade Homecoming Princess, Three Rivers District Academic Excellence Award, Pres. Academic Fitness Award.
Benjamin Adam King Clubs: Spanish. Other: Chorale.
Samantha Kai Kirk Clubs: SADD, HOSA, VICA. Sports: track. Other: Student of the Six Weeks.
Elsie Marlene Lafon Clubs: VICA, SADD, SAE. Other: band, majorette, J.V. basketball manager, Who's Who.

Brian Keith Lambert Clubs: SADD, History. Sports: eighth, JV, and varsity basketball, eighth, varsity track, eighth, JV, varsi football, cross-country. Other: track All Districts, All Region, All State, more yet to come.
Dorey May Long Clubs: VICA, FHA. Other: cosmetology, FHA vice pres.
Natasha Jean Lucas Clubs: FHA, VICA.
Anthony Dean Mann
Jason Christopher Martin Sports: baseball, basketball. Other: Young Life, Youth Group.
Laura Marie Martin Clubs: SADD — Reporter, SMARTT Team, SMARTT, SODA, SAE, French Club: National Honor Society, French, National Honor Society. Other: peer counseling, MACC — all around, English All Around, Newspaper co-editor, Giles Youth/Adult Partnership, Va. Girls State Delegate, attended Va. Summer Governors School for Humanities, History Day.
Michael Dewayne Martin Clubs: FFA. Other: Student of the Six Weeks
Whitney Lee Matlock Clubs: SADD, Pep, Monogram, Keyette, Drama, SCA. Sports: eighth grade track, varsity track, JV basketball, varsity basketball, JV Volleyball, varsity volleyball, softball. Other: SADD — pres., Snow Court Princess — 11th, Snowcourt Queen, 1st Team All District Volleyball; Serve, Learn, and Earn, varsity basketball — captain, varsity volleyball — captain, Symphonic Band.
Cheryl Ann McClellan Clubs: VICA. Other: Cosmetology, competitive swimming.
Anna Marie Meador Clubs: Spanish, Keyettes, Library. Sports: eighth grade track. Other: varsity marching band, majorette, Young Life.
Jamie Curtis Meadows Clubs: TSA, Jr. Spanish — reporter; SADD — vice pres., SMARTT, Spanish/hist.; Key, FCA, SCA — Historian; Pep, Monogram. Sports: Eighth, JV, Varsity Football; Eighth Track; Eighth, JV, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Soccer. Other: Who's Who, Upward Bound/ Most Likely to Succeed/Talent Search, Church Youth Group.
Adam Levi Mills Clubs: National Honor Society, History, SADD. Other: eighth grade band section leader, Symphonic Band section leader, Jazz Band, Outstanding Musician Overall Award in Philadelphia band Competition, Vocational Student of the Six Weeks, Who's Who.
Christopher Steven Morris Clubs: SAE, Spanish. Sports: soccer.
Jodi Elizabeth Mullins Clubs: Keyettes, History, Drama, Monogram — tres.; National Honor Society, SADD. Sports: Cross country, eighth grade, JV, varsity basketball — captain, eighth, varsity track. Other: All District, All Region, All State Track, Junior Law Cadet Program, Alpha Delta Omega, Young Life, Symphonic Band, VHSL Academic Excellence Award.
Brett Allen Munsey Clubs: FFA
Angie Dawn Neice Clubs: HOSA. Other : reporter/historian of HOSA; All District Chorus.
Melissa Lynn Neice Clubs: FHA, National Honor Society, FBLA, vice-pres.
Bret Wallace Nicholson Clubs: Key. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity football, varsity soccer. Other: youth, Young Life, 1st Team All District.
Megan Jane Noble Clubs: Key — sec/tres; Monogram — sec/v.pres., Pep, Drama — vice-pres.; National Honor Society. Sports: Eighth — co-capt; JV, Varsity Cheerleading — Captain; Eighth and Varsity Track — All District, All Region, All State All Timesland Triple jump. Other: Symphonic Chorale — sec/pres.; Choral Ensemble, Jr. & Sr. High All District Chorus, VHSL Academic Excellence Award, 9th grade Homecoming Princess, 8th & 12th grade Snow Court Princess.
Crystal Dawn Payne Clubs: FBLA, SAE, VICA. Other: band.
Michael Ray Perdue Clubs: SADD. Sports: eighth grade football, J.V. football, varsity football, eighth grade basketball, J.V. basketball, eighth grade track, varsity track.
Sue Ellen Wilson Perkins
Olaah Bilal Perry Sports: J.V. football, varsity football, varsity track. Other: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks, VHSL Academic Award.
Jason Earl Porterfiel Clubs: History, Science, SADD, Key, Spanish, Monogram. Sports: cross-country, varsity track. Other: Model U.N., National History Day, Boy's State, "Beverly Hillbillies", Yearbook Senior Editor, history club co-pres.; science cl treasurer, Who's Who.
Kristie Eugenia Price Clubs: VICA, FHA.
Melissa Diane Ramos Clubs: Pep, LEO, FHA, FCA, SADD, SMARTT, Spanish. Sports: Eighth and JV/manager Basketball, Eighth and Varsity Track. Other: Varsity band, Eighth grade choir, Internship/FHA, Star Events, FHA Conference
Sandra Eloise Ratcliff Clubs: SMARTT, SMARTT Team, SAE, SADD, Science, LEO, Jr. Spanish, Drama, Chorale, Choral Ens. Other: SAE — vice pres.; Science — reporter, SCA — rep.; All District Chorus, CBI Asst.
Christopher Glenn Ratcliffe Clubs: Spanish, Key, Monogram. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity football, eighth, JV, varsity basketball baseball. Other: Honorable Mention, 1st Team All District, Region, State. Defensive player of the year District, Region, State Friday Football Extra player of the week, 1st Team All Timesland, USA Today's All-American Team as an honorable mention.
Thomas Eugene Rice
Angela Lynn Riggs Clubs: FBLA/ pres. Other: Symphonic Chorale
Travis Aaron Riggs Clubs: FFA, TSA, VICA. Sports: football, track. Other: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.

ephanie Marie Robbins Clubs: FHA, VICA. Sports: eighth grade basketball, track, J.V. cheerleader. Other: FHA vice pres.; HA pres.; FHA reporter, Student of the Six Weeks, Who's Who, Cosmetology.
ianna Robinson Clubs: French, SAE, National Honor Society, Band. Sports: varsity tennis.
uart Christopher Ruth Clubs: Art, Key, SADD. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity football, eighth, and varsity track, 1st Team All strict, 1st Team All Region, 1st Team All State, Coaches, and Associated Press Poll, 1st Team All Timesland, as a fensive Lineman.
emy Michael Saunders Clubs: Art, SAE, Key. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity football, eighth, varsity track. Other: Who's Who, t Club — treasurer; 1st Team All State, All Timesland in football.
e Chandalar Scott Clubs: Science/vice-pres.; History, Spanish, Drama, National Honor Society, Model UN, "The Beverly llbillies." Sports: Cross Country, Track. Other: MACC/English
ger Dale Simpkins III Clubs: VICA, SADD, Agriculture, Monogram. Sports: eighth grade, J.V., and varsity football, track
nanda Marie Smith
rystal Gayle Snider Clubs: SADD, HOSA, FHA. Other: Who's Who, Certified Nursing Assistant.
endy Lee Snidow Clubs: Spanish, Monogram, SADD, Keyettes, National Honor Society, Band, SCA, History. Sports: eighth ade, varsity track, eighth, JV, varsity basketball. Other: Young Life, SCA — reporter; Spanish Club — vice-pres., pres., pres; onogram — vice-pres.; ODU Model UN.
ickey Shawn Snider
lward Raymond Songer Clubs: Monogram, FFA. Sports: varsity track, varsity football.
chel Dawn St. Clair Clubs: SADD, LEO, Monogram, National Honor Society, SCA rep. Sports: basketball, track, tennis. her: JV basketball captain; JV volleyball captain. 12th grade rep.; Girl Scouts, Who's Who.
nifer Diane Stafford Clubs: Spanish. Other: Newspaper.
mothy Andrew Sutphin Clubs: VICA. Sports: J.V., varsity football, basketball, soccer. Other: 1st Team All District oseguard.
ri Lynn Talbert Clubs: LEO, SADD, FBLA, Monogram. Sports: basketball — captain; volleyball, track. Other: National onor Society, Who's Who, Junior Snowcourt Princess, Girl Scouts, Band — pres.
hristina Michelle Terry Clubs: SADD, FHA, HOSA. Other: Student of the Six Weeks, CNA Degree, Womens Chorus.
lly Joe Thompson Clubs: SADD, VICA. Sports: JV football, JV baseball, varsity baseball.
illiam Benny Thompson
hena Nicole Thorne Clubs: FHA.
bin Michelle Vass Sports: eighth grade track, varsity track, eighth grade basketball.
rah Catherine Vest Clubs: SADD, SMARTT, SAE, Drama. Other: Chorale, SCA — rep.; Chorale — sec.; SAE — eporter; Child Development Intern.
atthew David Whitehead Clubs: SADD, Spanish. Sports: eighth, JV, varsity football, eighth, JV basketball, 1st Team All istricts Defensive Back. Other: 1st in Regional Competition Electronics.
ammy Sue Whittaker Clubs: SADD, Spanish, FBLA. Sports: basketball, track.
rystal Miranda Wilburn Clubs: FHA, SAE, SMARTT, SCA, Spanish, History, French. Other: Varsity Band, French National onor Society, Spanish Teaching Practicum.
arry Alvin Williams, Jr. Clubs: VICA. Sports: eighth and varsity football, tennis.
arrie Lorine Williams Clubs: Key, Pep, Jr. Spanish Club, SADD, SODA, History Club. Sports: eighth & varsity track, oss-country. Other: SADD — pres.; SODA — coordinator; eighth, varsity band, Giles Youth Adult Partnership, Student ntrepreneur, PE assistant.
onald Ray Williams, Jr. Clubs: FFA. Sports: JV, varsity football. Other: Vocational Student of the Six Weeks.
my Elizabeth Elaine Wilson Clubs: SCA, SADD, Library, French, Drama, Keyettes, History. Sports: JV varsity volleyball, ghth, JV, varsity basketball, eighth, varsity track, softball captain. Other: Who's Who, Academic Excellence Award in sketball, and volleyball.
haun Cabot Wimmer Clubs: HOSA, Band. Sports: MACC, eighth grade, JV, varsity football, track. Other: Letterman in otball, and track.
herad Renee Woodyard Clubs: SCA vice-pres.; National Honor Society, Symphonic Chorale, Symphonic Band — vice pres.; ODA, SMARTT, Peer Counselor, SMARTT Team, Yearbook, History, Jr. Spanish Club — pres.; SADD, FCA. Sports: ghth, J.V., varsity cheerleading, varsity volleyball, varsity track. Other: DAR Good Citizen, Virginia Girls State, Who's Who, HSL Academic Excellence Award, 8th grade, 12th grade Homecoming Princess, 9th grade Snowcourt Princess, Girl Scouts, EACH, Church Youth Group, Sophomore Class — sec.; Freshman Class — vice pres.; Eighth Grade Class — sec./tres.
harles Edward Thomas Workman Clubs: SCA, Monogram. Sports: eighth grade, JV, varsity football, eighth, varsity track. ther: Junior Class — pres., Prom Prince, National Honor Society, 1st Team All State, All Region, All District Line-Backer, HSL Academic Award, All Region — 4x100m Relay, All Districts — 100m — 200m.
enjamin David Yolton Clubs: Art. Other: National Honor Society, Band.
manuel Lynn Young Clubs: SADD, VICA, Monogram. Sports: eighth grade, J.V., varsity football. Other: District VICA ompetition.

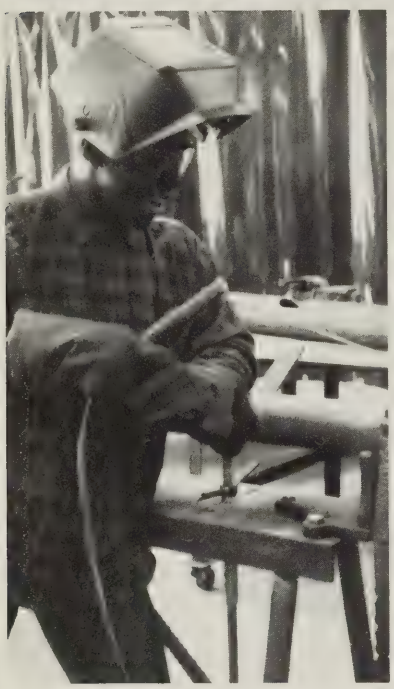


# The Way

*Looking back*
*the stormy uphill journey*
*is done.*
*from here*

*The hands in the alcove,*
*the champions smiling down at u*
*They're all gone now.*

*leaving this time*
*carrying the trophies*
*of the way we were.*



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*ile looking forward —*
*m sunny childhood*
*e same path leads us away*
*vard a veiled uncertainty.*

*: names on the walls,*
*m years ago —*

*d so are we —*
*: other times and places,*
*d the sweet memories*

# The Way We Were

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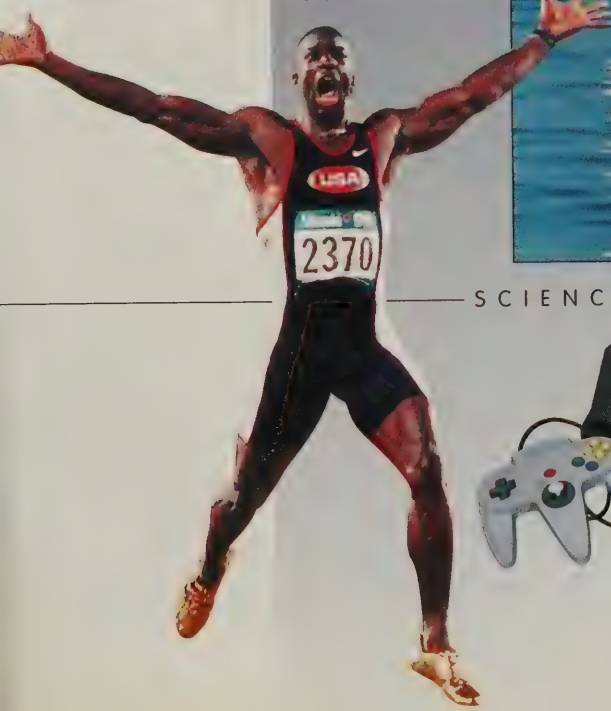


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WORLD NEWS

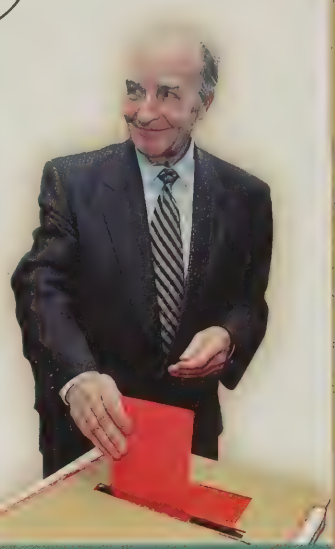
## flash

In November, a hijacked Ethiopian airliner crashes after running out of fuel. The crash occurs near a resort beach in the Comoros Islands in the Indian Ocean. At least 123 of the 175 people on board die, including the hijackers.

After 36 years, Central America's longest civil war ends when Indian rebels and military leftists sign a truce in Guatemala.

British Telecommunications agrees to purchase MCI Communications for up to $21 billion in November. The deal is the biggest foreign purchase of a U.S. company ever concluded.

A U.N.-negotiated treaty banning chemical weapons worldwide is set to take effect in the spring. The treaty prohibits the development, production, stockpiling or use of chemical weapons, and calls for the destruction of existing supplies. The treaty is signed by 160 nations, including the U.S.



AP/Wide World

Alija Izetbegovic, leader of Bosnia's Muslim Party of Democratic Action, is elected chairman of the country's new three-person presidency in September. The election is held in accordance with provisions of the U.S.-brokered Dayton peace agreement.

AP/Wide World

Reuters/Archive Photos

King Hussein of Jordan (right) visits the West Bank of the Jordan River in October to show support for the Palestinian-Israeli peace talks and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state. It is Hussein's first visit since Jordan lost the territory to Israel in the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.

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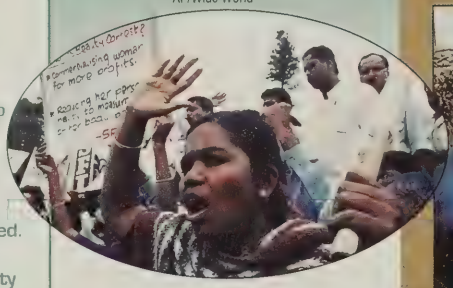
Demonstrators gather in Toronto, Canada on October 25 to protest cutbacks in social services by the Ontario government. Thousands of people marched through the city during "Micro Days of Action," organized by labor and social activists.



The Miss World beauty pageant, held in Bangalore, India in November, raises a storm of protests, some violent, including one by a group threatening to stage a mass suicide during the pageant's telecast. A new Miss World is crowned without incident.

Reuters/Archive Photos

Russian President Boris Yeltsin wins reelection in July, despite persistent health problems. After successful heart surgery in November he returns to work.

Reuters/Archive Photos

Pope John Paul II undergoes surgery for an inflamed appendix in October. His chief surgeon, Dr. Francesco Crucitti, announces that the 78-year-old leader of the Roman Catholic Church is free from "previously undiscovered serious ailments."

AP/Wide World

A pipe bomb explodes in Centennial Olympic Park after the first day of competition at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Flags fly at half-mast to mourn the 1 person killed and more than 100 injured.

AP/Wide World

In a group so large it could be tracked by satellite, hundreds of thousands of refugees abandon camps in Zaire in November and begin a journey home to Rwanda, which they had fled to escape a civil war. Closing of the camps forces the refugees to flee.

AP/Wide World

Mass graves containing the bodies of Muslims, allegedly murdered by Serbs in 1992 during the Bosnian civil war, are excavated in Bosnia-Herzegovina throughout the year as a shaky peace negotiated in 1995 continues.

Reuters/Archive Photos

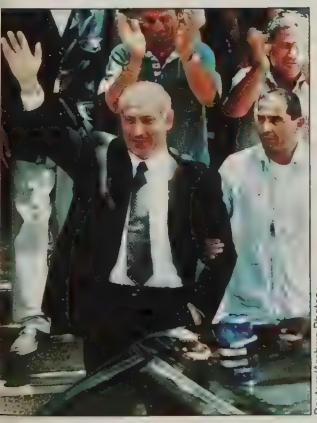
Anti-American Saudi terrorists are blamed for a truck bomb that kills 19 U.S. service people on June 25 in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Mourners grieve at a memorial service held in Khobar, Saudi Arabia.

AP/Wide World

More than 300 Tutsi refugees in the African country of Burundi are slain by Hutus, a rival ethnic group. The covered bodies, mostly women and children, illustrate the ferocity of the conflict.

Agence France-Presse

On July 17, Trans World Airlines Flight 800 explodes 13,700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 230 passengers and crew members. The Boeing 747-100 was en route to Paris from New York. The cause of the explosion remains a mystery.



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Israeli right-wing leader Benjamin Netanyahu wins the May 1996 election for Prime Minister, defeating Prime Minister Shimon Peres, whom many Israelis think is making too many concessions to Israel's Arab neighbors.

Tim Graham, Sygma

A lone gunman kills 16 kindergartners, their teacher, and then himself, at a Dunblane, Scotland school in March 1996. A month after the tragedy, officials tear down the school gymnasium in which the shootings occurred.

Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, and Diana, Princess of Wales, are divorced on August 29. According to one observer, "The most spectacularly miserable marriage of the century is over."

Tim Graham, Sygma

WORLD

# NATIONAL

NATIONAL FLASH

## flash

The U.S. Army issues strict new policies for drill instructors and female trainees, as hundreds of complaints of sexual harassment are revealed in November. Drill instructors are now required to leave their doors open if a female is inside, and women must travel in pairs.

After thousands of veterans complain of illnesses since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, the Pentagon warns they may have been exposed to chemical weapons. The Pentagon reveals that up to two tons of sarin nerve gas may have been released.

Six-year-old beauty pageant queen JonBenet Ramsey is found murdered in the basement of her parents' Colorado home the day after Christmas. Her death raises a nationwide awareness of controversial youth beauty pageants.

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia) is fined $300,000 in a bi-partisan vote after the House Ethics Committee's year-long investigation into alleged financial improprieties.

Reuters/Archive Photos

Former U.N. ambassador Madeleine Albright is nominated for Secretary of State by President Clinton on December 5. Confirmed in office in January 1997, Albright is the first woman to head the State Department.

AP/Wide World

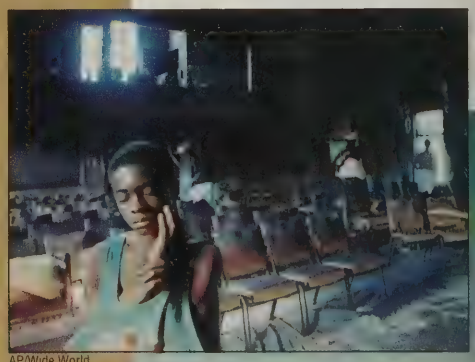
Seven-year-old pilot Jessica Dubroff is killed when her Cessna airplane crashes shortly after take-off in bad weather from the Cheyenne, Wyoming airport. Her flying instructor and her father, the plane's two passengers, are also killed in the April 1996 crash.

Derek Pruitt, Gamma/Liaison

Theodore Kaczynski, alleged to be the "Unabomber," who killed 3 people and wounded more than 20 others with mail bombs since 1978, is arrested in Montana in April 1996. Information provided by Kaczynski's brother leads to the arrest.

Robert Allison, Contact Press Images

Binti Jua, a gorilla at Chicago's Brookfield Zoo, becomes a hero when she rescues a 3-year-old boy knocked unconscious after falling 18 feet into the ape enclosure. The boy suffers brain contusions but soon recovers.



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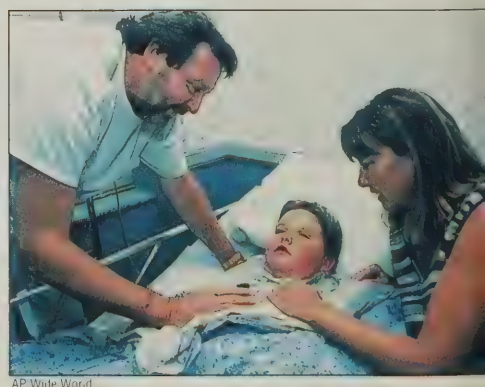
Arson against African-American churches, mostly in the South, is a serious problem in 1996; an hundred of churches are burned down. Residents of Portland, Oregon survey the damage inside a church after a blaze.

AP/Wide World

One of the longest armed stand-offs in U.S. history occurs outside Jordan, Montana between the FBI and members of an anti-government group calling itself the Freemen. The 81-day siege ends peacefully in June.



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On August 11, a boater rescues 10-year-old Taylor Touchstone from the snake- and alligator-infested waters of a Florida swamp 14 miles away from where he disappeared August 7. Although exhausted and badly scratched, the autistic boy recovers fully.

Reuters/Archive Photos

William Jefferson Clinton defeats Republican Bob Dole and Independent H. Ross Perot to become the 42nd president of the U.S. and the last president of the 20th century. Clinton is the first Democrat since Franklin Roosevelt to be reelected to a second term.

Jonathan Alcorn, Zuma

A civil jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson liable for the June 12, 1994 wrongful deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. In a unanimous verdict, the jury awards $8.5 million in compensatory damages to Goldman's parents. The Brown and Goldman families are each awarded $12.5 million in punitive damages.

AP/Wide World

The Citadel, South Carolina's traditionally all-male military academy, admits four women, including Petra Loventinska (left) and Jeanie Montavlos. Montavlos and another female cadet later drop out, citing harassment and "sadistic" hazing.

AP/Wide World

Days of abnormally heavy rains in November undermine the roadbed of Oregon's Interstate 5, creating a 40-foot-deep sinkhole into which two semitrailer trucks tumble.

AP/Wide World

Topsail Beach, a town on an island off the coast of North Carolina, is one of many Eastern locations hit hard by Hurricane Bertha in July. Six powerful hurricanes, all with winds over 110 miles per hour, made 1996 a near-record year doing $3.5 billion in damage in the U.S.

Nationwide, forest fires blacken more than twice the acreage lost to fires in an average year. California, Montana and Oregon are particularly hard hit.

Kurt Miller, The Press-Enterprise

All 110 people aboard a ValuJet DC-9 are killed in May 1996 when a fire breaks out in the cargo hold. The plane, en route from Miami to Atlanta, crashes and disappears almost completely into the Florida Everglades, making it difficult for workers to retrieve wreckage.

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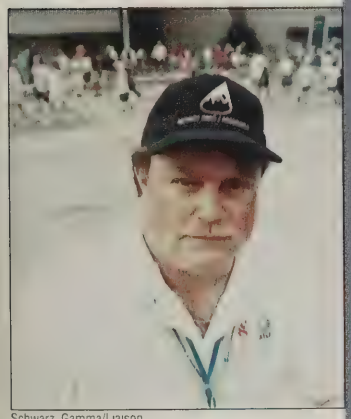

Schwarz, Gamma/Liaison

Security guard Richard Jewell is investigated as a suspect in the July Olympic Park bombing. After three months of media frenzy, during which Jewell is a virtual prisoner in his home, the U.S. Justice Department admits there is no evidence against him.

Six-year-old first grader Johnathan Prevette is suspended from his Lexington, North Carolina, elementary school for violating the city schools' sexual conduct guidelines—he kissed a female classmate. Prevette is quickly reinstated after a nationwide controversy over the suspension.

AP/Wide World

# NATIONAL

# SCIENCE

SCIENCE NEWS

Videogame giant Nintendo releases its long-awaited Nintendo 64, a new hardware system that draws players into the game and moves three times faster than any existing system.

## flash

A 9,300-year-old skeleton discovered in July near Richland, Washington is the oldest and most intact set of human bones ever discovered in North America. Research is suspended, however, as the tribes from the Native American grounds where it is found claim the skeleton as an ancestor and want the bones buried.

Trauma Seal, a new medical adhesive that is applied like a lip-balm stick, is in clinical trials at 10 hospitals and health care institutions nationwide. The biodegradable adhesive could eliminate stitches and return visits.

New York Police Department canines begin wearing three-pound, infrared cameras, scouting out potentially dangerous areas before police officers enter the scene. Handlers are developing bullet-proof vests for the dogs to wear.

A new category of animal is discovered in the form of bacteria that live on the lips of lobsters. *Symbion pandora*, which lives on food scraps from lobster lips, is called "the zoological highlight of the decade."

AP/Wide World

An expedition to raise the *Titanic*, the legendary "unsinkable" ocean liner that sank on its maiden voyage in 1912, from its North Atlantic grave more than two miles deep, ends in failure in August due to rough seas.

NASA

In August, scientists discover evidence of bacteria-like life on a meteorite found in 1984 and believed to be part of the crust of Mars 4.5 billion years ago. It is the first possible proof that life is not unique to Earth.

NASA

American astronaut Shannon Lucid (right) spends 188 days in space, breaking American space endurance records after joining the crew of the Russian space station *Mir*.

Egyptian sages work to preserve the Great Sphinx from the ravages of wind, pollution and time. This 4,500-year-old statue is located in Giza near the giant pyramids.

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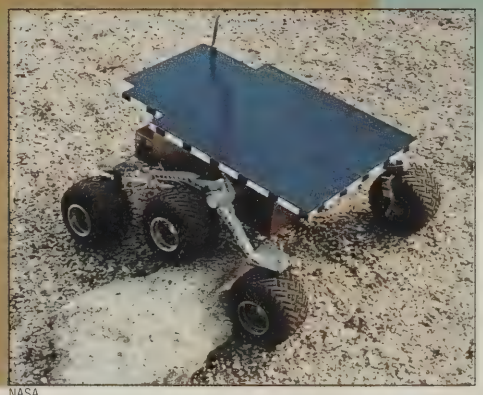

NASA

The Mars Surveyor Trolley, named Sojourner, is carried on-board *Mars Pathfinder*, an unmanned spacecraft launched in December. Sojourner, a free-roving probe the size of a child's wagon, will photograph the Martian surface and determine the composition of rocks on Mars.

Satellite dishes become one of the year's hottest-selling electronic consumer products. Owners find the savings of not paying for cable services cover the cost within a few months.

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© 1996 Monterey Bay Aquarium. Photography by Randy Wilder

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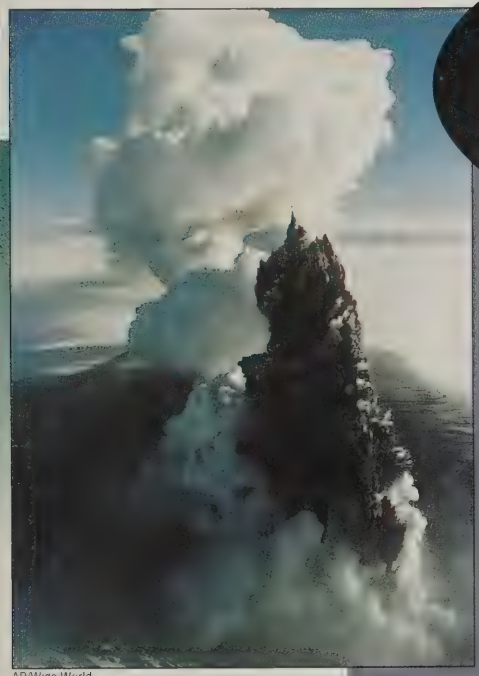
California's Monterey Bay Aquarium opens a new wing in March 1996. The million-gallon indoor ocean showcases the marine life of the outer reaches of Monterey Bay, 5 to 60 miles offshore.

The Hubble Space Telescope captures new images of quasars, the universe's most powerful and baffling phenomena. Previously thought only to exist in colliding galaxies, new pictures indicate quasars can also exist in undisturbed galaxies—causing astronomers to revisit their theories.



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Steam and ash from Iceland's Loki volcano blast 33,000 feet in the air on October 9. Molten rock from the volcano's 5-mile-wide fissure melts through more than 2,000 feet of glacial ice, threatening the island with widespread flooding.

O. Spa Bar

An "oxygen bar" in Toronto, Canada allows patrons to pay $16 to spend 20 minutes breathing pure oxygen. The owners of the $O_2$ Spa Bar claim the treatment is a healthy way to reinvigorate the body and offer fruit "flavors" to liven up the experience.

Smithsonian Institution

The Smithsonian Institution celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding with a nationwide tour of prize exhibits, including this stovepipe hat worn by Abraham Lincoln.

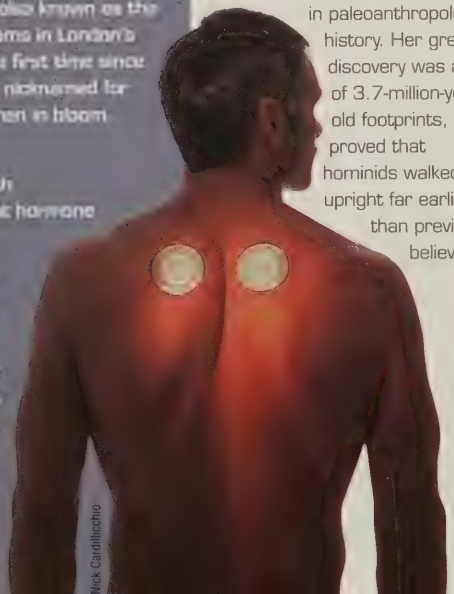
UPI/Corbis-Bettmann

Paleoanthropologist Mary Leakey, shown with husband Louis Leakey in a 1959 photograph, dies in December. Discoveries by the Leakeys throughout their careers are some of the most important in paleoanthropological history. Her greatest discovery was a trail of 3.7-million-year-old footprints, which proved that hominids walked upright far earlier than previously believed.

AP/Wide World

The world's largest flower, the Titan Arum, also known as the "corpse flower," blooms in London's Kew Gardens for the first time since 1963. The flower is nicknamed for its strong stench when in bloom.

New research suggests that hormone therapies can keep middle-aged men stronger and more youthful. A testosterone-releasing skin patch called Androderm is prescribed by many doctors to supplement the natural hormone.



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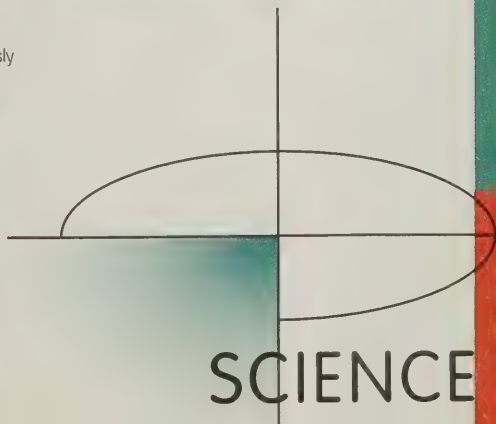


SCIENCE

# FACES

FACES

## flash

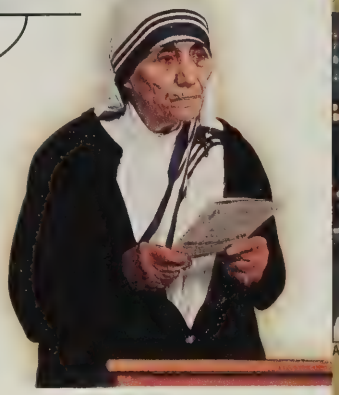
Former NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle dies on December 6. Rozelle is credited with transforming professional football into America's top spectator sport, and with inventing the Super Bowl.

Basketball megastar Michael Jordan launches his own cologne: Michael Jordan Cologne. Demand for the fragrance is so high that manufacturer Bijan Fragrances limits sales to 12 bottles per customer.

The ever-present Cindy Crawford releases a book on applying make-up. *Basic Face* enjoys a long run on the best-seller lists.

The National Women's Hall of Fame opens in Seneca Falls, New York, inducting 11 women, including author Louisa May Alcott, and Oveta Culp Hobby, the nation's first female colonel.

Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin dies of pancreatic cancer in November. Bernardin was known for being a reconciler in churches torn between tradition and modern culture, as well as for speaking out against physician-assisted suicide.



Steven M. Falk, Gamma-Liaison

Mother Teresa, 1979 Nobel Peace Prize winner, suffers a heart attack in late December. It is the 86-year-old Roman Catholic nun's fourth serious illness in 1996.

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"The Late Show" host David Letterman (right), who had been hinting at retirement, re-signs his contract with CBS, keeping him at "The Late Show" through 2002.

AP/Wide World

In April 1996, singer Michael Jackson is seen escorting a woman later identified as Debbie Rowe, an employee of Jackson's plastic surgeon. In November, Jackson announces that he and Rowe are married and that she is carrying his child.

Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, and Prince Andrew, Duke of York and son of Queen Elizabeth II, are divorced in May 1996. "Fergie" subsequently goes public with TV appearances and an autobiography.

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Regis Philbin appears with host Rosie O'Donnell on ABC's "The Rosie O'Donnell Show." The talk show, which premieres in 1996, gains quick popularity and respect.

Steve Granitz, Retna

Music megastar Madonna gives birth to Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon, a 6-pound, 9-ounce girl, on October 14. Madonna's big year continues when she wins a Golden Globe for her role in Andrew Lloyd Webber's on-screen rendition of the musical *Evita*.

In October, TV talk-show host Jenny Jones testifies during the Michigan murder trial of Jonathan Schmitz. Schmitz was accused of killing Scott Amedure, who revealed romantic feelings for Schmitz during a March 1995 taping of a "Jenny Jones Show."

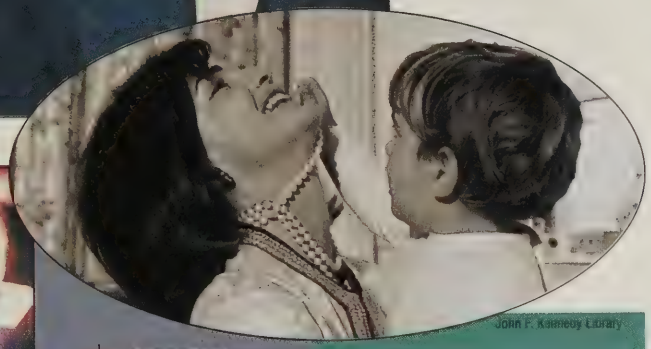
AP/Wide World

Stephane Cardinale, Sygma

In a small, secret ceremony on an island off the coast of Georgia, John F. Kennedy Jr. marries Carolyn Bessette, a Calvin Klein publicist, in September. Kennedy, who dated Bessette for two years, had long been considered one of the world's most eligible bachelors.

AP/Wide World

New York Yankees fan Jeffrey Maier interferes with a fly ball during game one of the American League Championship Series on October 9. The hit is ruled a home run, tying the game 4 to 4 in the eighth inning and making Maier New York's hero for a day.



John F. Kennedy Library

More than 4,000 items owned by former First Lady Jacquelyn Kennedy Onassis and President John F. Kennedy are auctioned off in April 1996, including a necklace of simulated pearls shown in this 1962 photograph. The fake pearls, valued at $500 to $700, sell for $211,500, bringing the auction total to $34.5 million.

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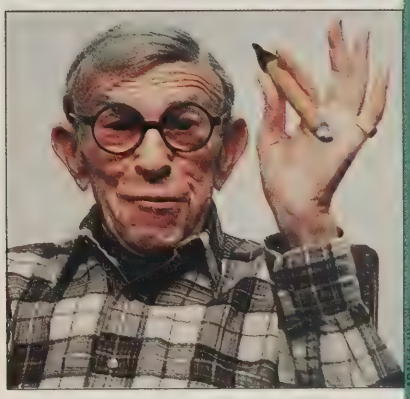
Legendary heavyweight boxer Muhammad Ali is the final athlete to bear the Olympic torch, lighting the Olympic flame at the opening of the Centennial Summer Olympics in Atlanta on July 19.



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Veteran comedian George Burns dies in March 1996, just weeks after reaching the age of 100. The legendary Burns won an Oscar, an Emmy and a Grammy Award in an illustrious career dating back to vaudeville.

Reuters/Archive Photos

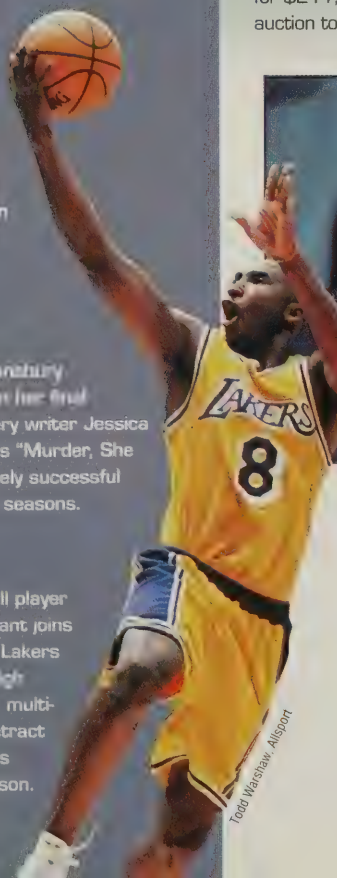
Miss Kansas, Tara Dawn Holland, is crowned Miss America at the 1996 pageant on September 14.

Lee / Archive Photos

As a stand against the invasion of his privacy, George Clooney, star of NBC's "ER," boycotts Paramount's "Entertainment Tonight" after its sister show "Hard Copy" runs unauthorized footage of the actor's private life.

Universal City from Shooting Star

Angela Lansbury appears in her final season as mystery writer Jessica Fletcher on CBS's "Murder, She Wrote." The hugely successful show ran for 12 seasons.




Todd Warshaw, Allsport

Basketball player Kobe Bryant joins the Los Angeles Lakers straight out of high school, signing a multi-million dollar contract during the team's 1996-1997 season.

# ENTERTAINMENT



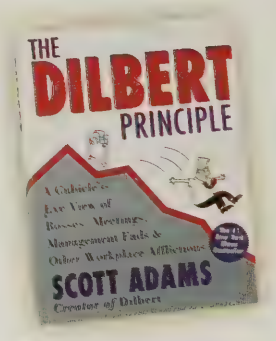
## flash

Tom Cruise stars in *Jerry Maguire*, a romantic comedy about a sports agent who decides to change his shallow ways, and spends the rest of the movie trying to regain his success. It is a breakthrough role for Cruise, who is normally depicted as a cocky winner.

To honor the 20th anniversary of its release, producer George Lucas issues a "remade" *Star Wars*, with new scenes, computerized special effects and souped-up animation. Lucas' grand plan calls for a nine-film cycle, including prequels.

English actor/director Kenneth Branagh plays Hamlet in his star-studded remake of Shakespeare's classic. Despite running four hours, the movie is a critical and box-office success.

NBC's Thursday night drama "ER" features television's first HIV-positive prominent character. Jeanie Boulet, a physician's assistant played by Gloria Reuben, is relatively open about her condition and helps confront the stigma of AIDS.




Scott Adams' *Dilbert*, the comic strip about office politics, captures the nation's imagination. In book form, *The Dilbert Principle* becomes a national best-seller.

Paramount Pictures from Kobal

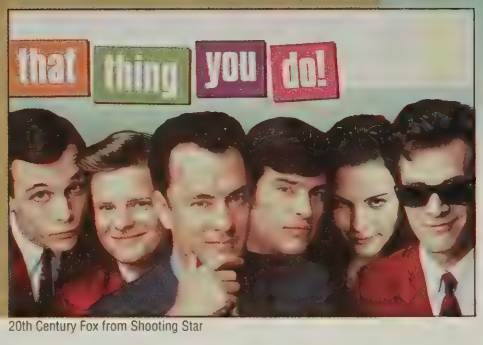
Patrick Stewart (left) and Brent Spiner (right) star in *Star Trek: First Contact*, a movie featuring characters from the TV show "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

Actors Winona Ryder and Daniel Day-Lewis star in *The Crucible*, which opens in December. The screen adaption of Arthur Miller's famous play about the Salem witch trials is written by Arthur Miller himself.

Drew Carey (left) finds TV stardom during the second season of ABC's "The Drew Carey Show," a sitcom about working-class characters in Cleveland, Ohio.

Warner Bros. TV from Shooting Star

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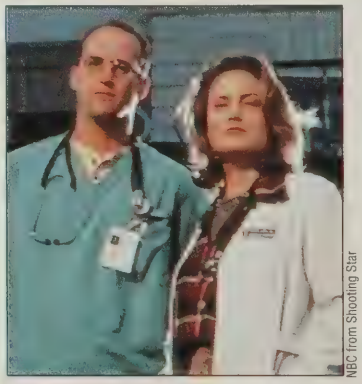
Academy Award-winning actor Tom Hanks' first effort at directing receives critical praise when *That Thing You Do!*, a movie about the meteoric rise and fall of a 1960s rock band, opens in October.



NBC from Shooting Star

Sherry Stringfield, Dr. Susan Lewis on NBC's "ER," leaves the show at the peak of her character's popularity. In her final episode, when Dr. Mark Greene, played by Anthony Edwards, declares his love for Susan, the show garners its highest ratings ever.

Model Brooke Shields (center) moves to television in NBC's "Suddenly Susan," a sit-com premiering in September. Shields plays a columnist opposite magazine editor Judd Nelson (far right).

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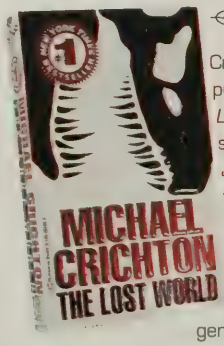
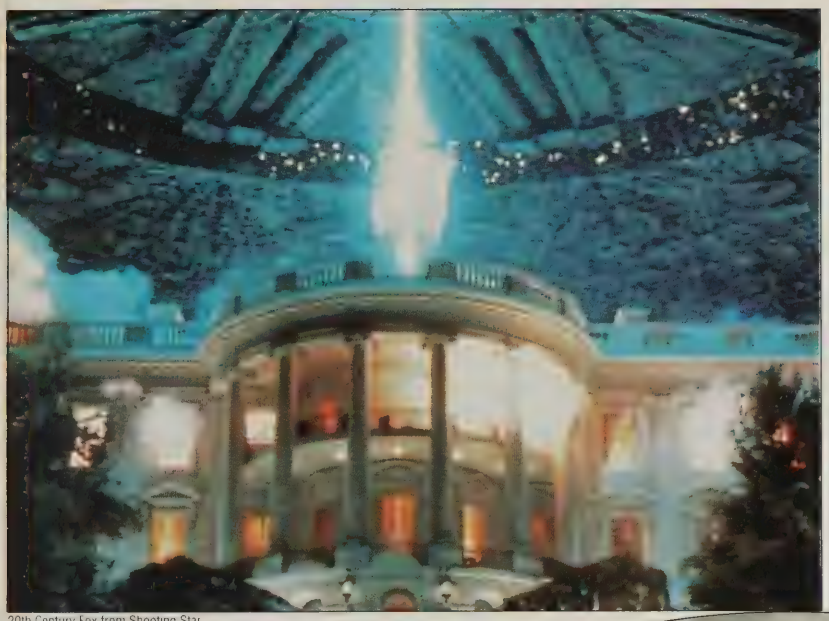



Author Michael Crichton publishes *The Lost World*, a sequel to *Jurassic Park*, the colossal novel and movie. The new book promises to generate just as much hype, with a movie already in the works.



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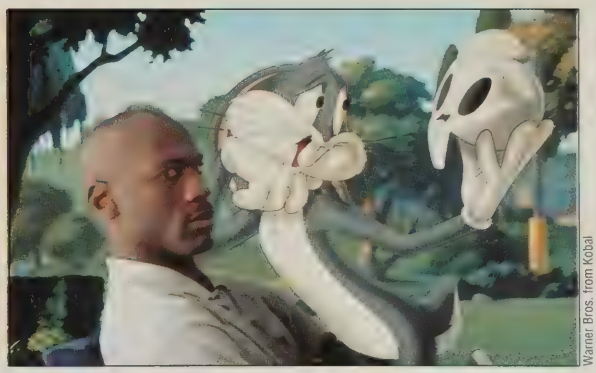


Warner Bros. from Kobal

Explosive special effects rivet audiences to their seats as they watch *Independence Day*, one of summer's blockbuster movies.

Bugs Bunny and Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan share top billing in *Space Jam*, a partially animated feature film that opens in late November.

20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

Paramount from Shooting Star

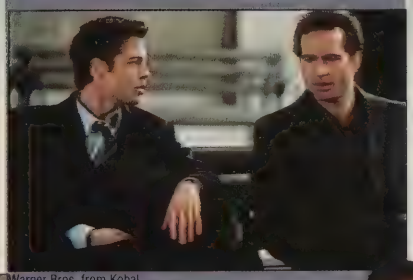
In September, Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes star as the doomed star-crossed lovers in the film *Romeo and Juliet*.

Tom Cruise stars in *Mission: Impossible*, based on the 1960s and '70s television series of the same name. Despite critical put-downs, the movie is a huge box-office hit.

NBC from Shooting Star

John Lithgow (front right) earns both an Emmy and a Golden Globe Award for Best Actor in a Comedy Series in NBC's "3rd Rock From the Sun," a sit-com about a family of aliens living in contemporary America.

Actors Brad Pitt (left) and Jason Patric star in *Sleepers*, a film about four men and their extraordinary scheme to revenge the abuse they experienced as boys. The controversial movie also stars Dustin Hoffman, Robert De Niro and Kevin Bacon.



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CBS from Shooting Star

America's favorite sit-com father, Bill Cosby, enjoys the success of his new CBS show, "Cosby." In January 1997, however, tragedy strikes as Cosby's son Ennis is killed in Los Angeles in an apparent random robbery.

Ron Batzdorff from Shooting Star

Stars Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt flee a tornado of awesome proportions in *Twister*, another summer blockbuster, which tells the story of storm chasers highly devoted to studying the inner workings of tornadoes.

Michael J. Fox returns to television in September as a deputy mayor in ABC's "Spin City," a sit-com about the inner workings of New York's City Hall.

Dream Works SKG from Shooting Star

# ENTERTAINMENT

# MUSIC

## flash

Folk and blues artist Tracy Chapman returns to the scene in 1996 with the single "Give Me One Reason." Chapman receives five Grammy nominations in January 1997.

The artist formerly known as Prince releases *Emancipation*, a three-hour, three-CD album, in honor of his release from his Warner Bros. recording contract.

Guitarist Slash of Guns N' Roses forms his own band. His new group, Slash's Blues Ball, is a six-man blues band grounded in the blues-based hard rock of the 1970s.

Rocker Sheryl Crow joins the ranks of musicians who have had their albums banned from Wal-Mart. The retail giant objects to a lyric alleging that kids kill each other with guns they obtained from the store.

The Beatles' *Anthology 3*, the third and final album from the reunited remaining members of the band, is released in November. Following the example of their two previous anthologies, *Anthology 3* sells in record numbers.

Kipa, LGI

British pop superstars Liam (left) and Noel Gallagher cancel the remainder of a U.S. concert tour in September amid rumors that their band, Oasis, is breaking up. Denying the reports, the brothers announce they will release a new album in the summer of 1997.

Alternative-rock band Nirvana releases a new album, *From the Muddy Banks of the Wishkah*, in October. The album remains 17 for weeks recorded between 1989 and the 1994 death of singer Kurt Cobain (right).

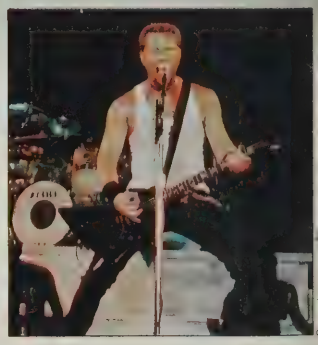
Jane Huntington, LGI

Gary Malerba, LGI

Kiss bass guitarist Gene Simmons strikes a familiar pose as the band kicks off a reunion tour with a June 28 concert in Detroit. The tour marks the first time the original members of the band perform together since 1979.

Steve Jennings, LGI

Bush, a British rock group with an American "grunge" sound, tours the U.S. to promote their album *Sixteen Stone*. They release another chart-topping album, *Razorblade Suitcase*, in the winter.



Heavy metal band Metallica is the headlining act for the summer concert Lollapalooza, traditionally an alternative-rock show. Metallica remains high-profile, winning an MTV award for the year's Best Hard Rock Video in September.

Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Canadian pop artist Celine Dion tops the charts in 1996 with the album *Falling Into You*, which sells more than 16 million copies worldwide.

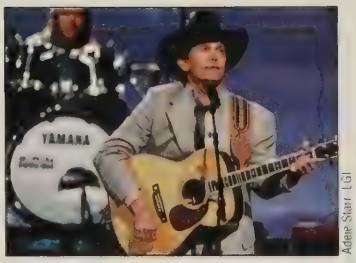
Reuters/Archive Photos

After 10 years of separation, members of the band Van Halen are reunited with their former lead singer, David Lee Roth (right), at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Roth later claims he thought he was rejoining the band, who chose a different lead singer.

Steve Jennings, LGI

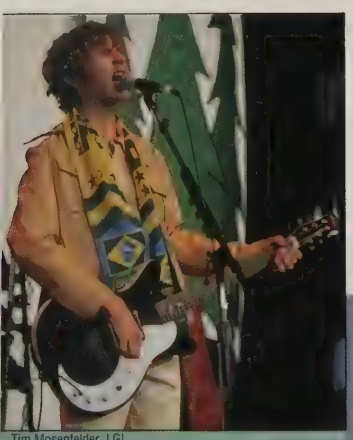
No Doubt, fronted by lead singer Gwen Stefani, releases *Tragic Kingdom*, which includes such chart-toppers as "Just a Girl," "Spiderwebs," and "Don't Speak."

Counting Crows' second album, *Recovering the Satellites*, is released in October. The long awaited follow-up to 1993's *August and Everything After* debuts at number one on the charts.



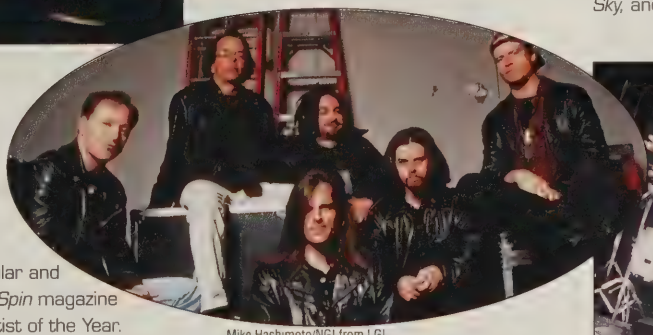

Adele Starr, LGI

George Strait is honored by the Country Music Association in October with three major awards—Single of the Year for "Check Yes or No," Album of the Year for *Clear Blue Sky*, and Male Vocalist of the Year.



Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

The hit single "Where It's At" kicks off the new Beck album *Odelay*, which is released to popular and critical acclaim. *Spin* magazine awards Beck Artist of the Year.



Mike Hashimoto/NGI from LGI

Lisa Leone, LGI

Toni Braxton's second album, *Secrets*, is released in summer 1996. Braxton wins R&B Single of the Year for "Let It Flow" at the *Billboard* Music Awards in the fall.

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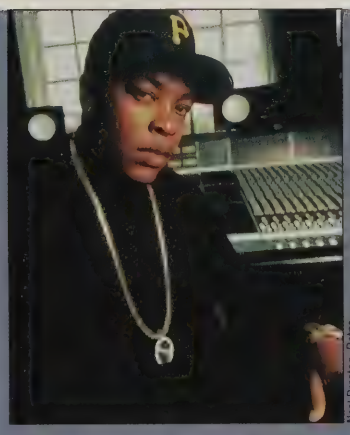
Alanis Morissette's *Jagged Little Pill* reigns the charts, becoming the all-time top-selling album by a female artist. Morissette also dominates the 1996 Grammys by winning four awards, including Best Album.

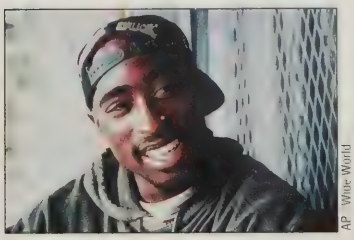


Neal Preston, Retna

Death Row Records co-founder Dr. Dre, often dubbed the "godfather of 'gangsta' rap," begins distancing himself from hard-core rap. "Been There, Done That," his break-away anthem, premieres on MTV in September.

Adele Starr, LGI

Fourteen-year-old singing sensation LeAnn Rimes is nominated for the Country Music Association's Horizon Award after the breakthrough success of her single "Blue." The popular new star is often compared to country music legend Patsy Cline.



AP Wide World

The music world is stunned in September by the death of rapper Tupac Shakur, killed in a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas. Speculations as to the killer's motive abound, but the year ends with no answers and no arrests.

R.E.M.'s 12th album, *New Adventures in Hi-Fi*, the group's first recording since 1994's *Monster*, is released by Warner Bros. in September.

The Wallflowers, with Jakob Dylan, son of legendary folk artist Bob Dylan, release *Bringing Down the Horse*, which features hit singles "One Headlight" and "6th Avenue Heartache."

James L. Lance, LGI

Beck, LGI

# MUSIC

# SPORTS

SPORTS FLASH

## flash

Tennis pro Pete Sampras wins the eighth grand-slam title of his career at the U.S. Open in September. Steffi Graf wins the U.S. Open Women's title, beating Monica Seles.

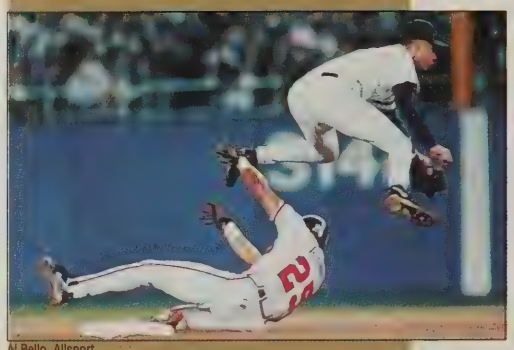
Pro boxer Mike Tyson loses his Heavyweight Champion of the World title to Evander Holyfield in a November match. Holyfield, a former two-time world champion, reclaims his title in the surprise win.

Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman furthers his controversial reputation by kicking a photographer in the groin during a game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in January 1997. Rodman is suspended for up to 11 games without pay, costing him more than $1 million, in addition to a $25,000 fine to the NBA, as well as a reported $200,000 settlement with the photographer.

Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar is suspended for five games, deferred to the 1997 season, when he spits on an umpire during a heated argument over a questionable call in the National League play-offs. Controversy ensues over the leniency of the punishment.

Canapress

Team USA wins the World Cup of Hockey, beating Canada 5-2 in the final. Eight teams from Canada, Europe and the U.S. participate in the World Cup, which replaced the Canada Cup.



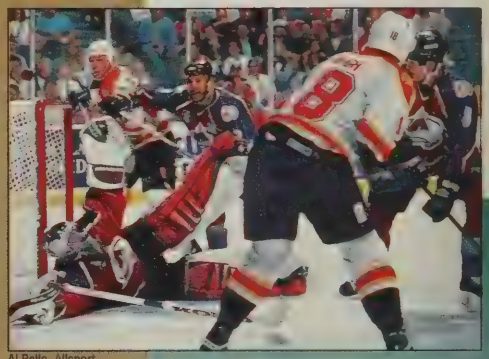
Al Bello, Allsport

The New York Yankees win the World Series, beating the Atlanta Braves in a four-game sweep, after losing the first two games. It is the first series title for the Yankees since 1978.

Wide World

Twenty-year-old golfing phenom Eldrick "Tiger" Woods turns pro in August, making the transition from exceptional amateur golfer to well-endorsed professional, including a deal with Nike worth an estimated $40 million.

In June, the Colorado Avalanche beat the Florida Panthers in the NHL Stanley Cup playoffs. The final game in the series remained scoreless until 9:05 a.m., when the Avalanche finally scored the winning goal in the third overtime period.



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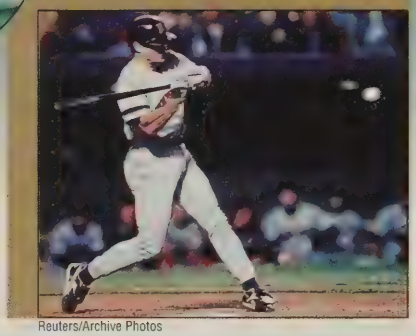

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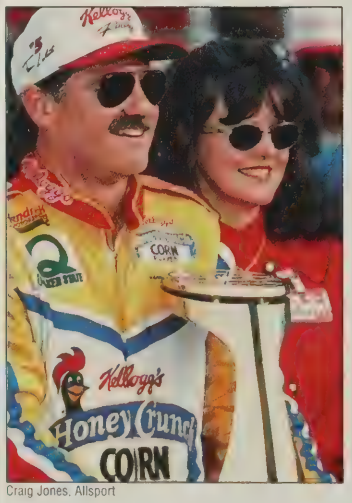
Paul Molitor of the Minnesota Twins becomes the 21st player in major league history to reach 3,000 career hits. The milestone is reached in September, when Molitor triples against Kansas City Royals rookie pitcher Jose Rosado.




Craig Jones, Allsport

Race car driver Terry Labonte wins NASCAR's Winston Cup championship with a total of 4,657 points after finishing fifth in the final race, the Napa 500, at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Led by quarterback Brett Favre, the Green Bay Packers beat the New England Patriots 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI at the Louisiana Superdome. It is the Packers' first Super Bowl since 1968.

AP/Wide World

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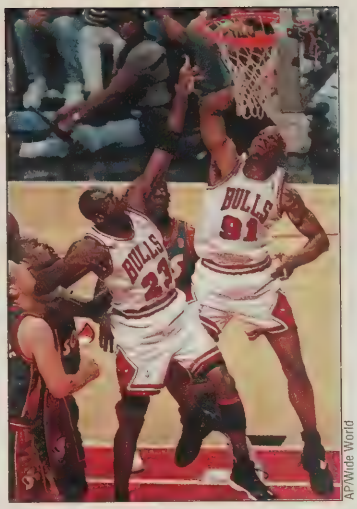
The U.S. women's gymnastics team takes the gold at the Summer Olympics. Kerri Strug, second from right, is the heroine of the competition, landing her final vault despite a dislocated left ankle.

U.S. swimmer Amy Van Dyken wins the women's 100-meter butterfly event at the Olympic Games with a time of 59.13 seconds. Van Dyken wins a total of four golds.



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The Chicago Bulls win their fourth NBA championship in six years as they defeat the Seattle SuperSonics in game six of the NBA finals on June 16.

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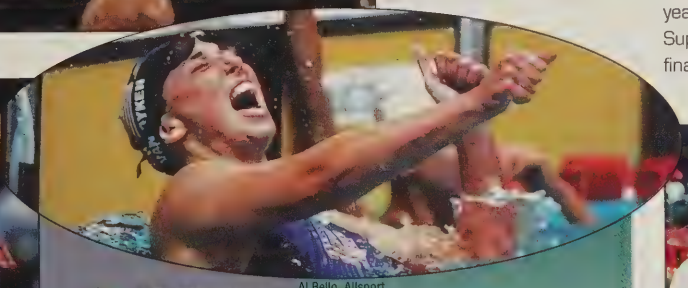

Al Bello, Allsport

U.S. Olympian Dan O'Brien racks up 8,824 points to take the gold medal in the decathlon, a grueling, 10-event track-and-field competition.

April 1996 marks the 100th running of the Boston Marathon. More than 38,000 contenders participate.

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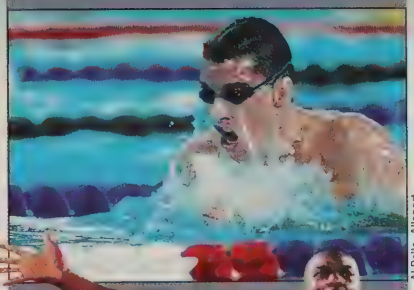
Jean Driscoll (front right) of the U.S. takes the silver in the women's 800-meter wheelchair race, a demonstration sport, at the Summer Olympics. Driscoll, seven-time winner of the Boston Marathon, retires at the end of 1996, after setting several world records during her career.

Olympic swimmer Tom Dolan captures another gold for the U.S. as he wins the 400-meter individual medley on July 21. Dolan wins with a time of 4:14.90.



Al Bello, Allsport

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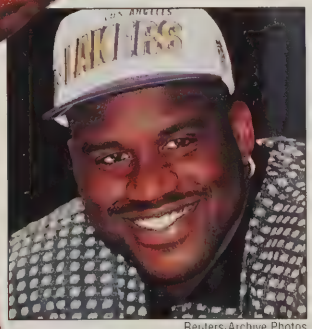
Minnesota Twins star centerfielder Kirby Puckett announces his retirement from baseball in July. A serious eye ailment forces Puckett to give up the game, but he manages to maintain his upbeat attitude at press conferences and interviews.

AP/Wide World

U.S. Olympian Michael Johnson wins the 200-meter final in a world-record time of 19.32 seconds. Johnson's triumph comes three days after he wins the 400-meter race, making him the first man to win both events in one Olympics.



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Basketball star Shaquille O'Neal jumps from the Orlando Magic to the Los Angeles Lakers in July. The deal is the richest in NBA history, paying O'Neal $120 million over 7 years.

# LIFESTYLE

LIFESTYLE

## flash

Helping consumers maintain privacy, marketers promote home AIDS tests. Consumers draw their own blood and then send it away to be tested confidentially.

Advancing technology means more options on telephones, including Caller ID, which becomes more common than ever in 1996. The display unit allows people to see the name and number of their caller before even answering the phone.

Authors Ellen Fein and Sherrie Schneider release *The Rules*, a controversial manual teaching women strategies for getting a man to propose marriage. While the book draws criticism from both sexes, it is a best-seller.

The U.S. Postal Service issues stamps commemorating Hanukkah, the first non-Christian religious holiday ever featured on a stamp.

Casual Fridays become more and more widespread in American work culture. Businesses allow employees who normally dress in professional clothing at work to wear more comfortable, casual clothing on Fridays.

A "Sesame Street" stuffed toy causes panic among holiday shoppers. Tickle Me Elmo sells out in stores nationwide, and has shoppers fighting over scarce inventory and paying hundreds of times the toy's value.

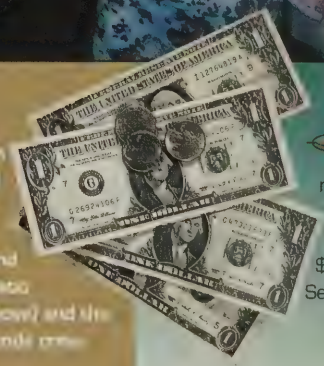
Monica Almeida, NY

The ongoing dance craze is the "Macarena," a Latin line dance. People of all ages participate in the dance, including Democratic delegates and workers of the Democratic National Convention (above) and the New York Yankees grounds crew.

My Twinn Doll Company

The My Twinn Doll Company offers individually crafted dolls that replicate, from a photo, the eye color, hair and facial features of a living girl. Each doll comes with two matching outfits, one for the doll and one for the owner.

Nail polish colors get darker and funkier. Deep browns and blues are popular forms of expression and style.



The min wage is raised to $4.7 October, and increase agai $5.15, effectiv September 1, 1

The bever industry introduces a new concept—bottled water with caffein One bottle of the uncarbonated wa contains as mucl caffeine as one c of coffee.

Disney's *101 Dalmatians* inspires an avalanche of promotional merchandise, filling stores with spotted toys, backpacks, games and other odds and ends.

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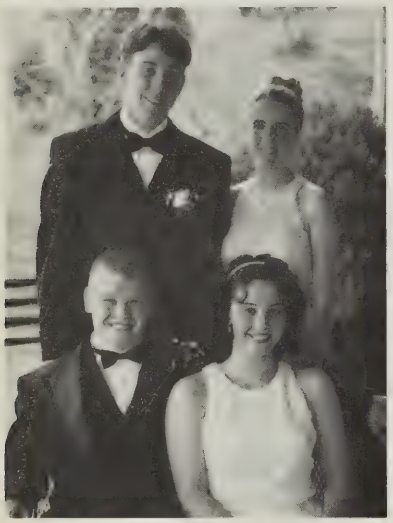
# The Way We Were

# Prom '97
# Remember Me This Way

Zeb Bowden, Rachel Williams, Ben Brown and Sara Lucas pose on a front porch.



King & Queen

King Adam Jones and Queen Cherad Woodyard made an adorable royal couple.

Prince Tee Peoples and date Jessica Marshall enjoy a magical evening at Prom.

Princess Becky McCracken and her escort Ben Miller before prom.

Princess

Ben Hatch, Jenny Burn, Adam Jeffers, Jessica Bowman, Mary Alice Muncy, David Henderson, Jason Porterfield, Ilse Scott, Laura Martin and Chris Morris before leaving for dinner at the Outback!

Lock up your daughters, here comes trouble! Front row: Zeb Bowden, Bret Nicholson, Brian Lambert, Matt Whitehead. Back row: Robbie Claytor, Ben Brown, Jamie Meadows, Landon Cassidy and Jason Martin.

Jamie Jennell, Chris Ratcliffe, Nichole Jones, Jimmy Smith, Cherad Woodyard and Adam Jones are ready to go.

Adam Jones and Cherad Woodyard enjoy their first dance as King and Queen while everyone watches.

Brandon & Megan

Kathy & Derek

Chris & Laura

Clay & Jessica

a young Anna Marie & Jason

Keeley & Brian

Jason & Holly

Jessica & Adam

Ben & Jenny

Jamie & Amanda

Bret & Karrah

Michele & Chris

Ilse & Jason

Melissa & Jeremy

Heather & Jason

Troy & Julie

Jenny & Scott

Whitney & Robbie

Jodi & Landon

Wendy & Jeremy

# Graduation

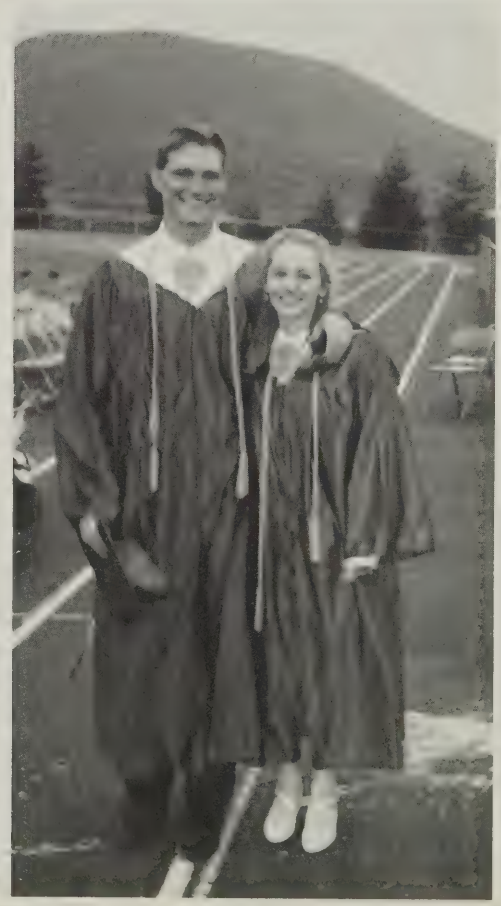
*The Senior class of nineteen hundred and ninety-seven has achieved many goals in their short five years at Giles High School. These outstanding Seniors have demonstrated tremendous character, talent, leadership, and dedication. Together they have raced to the finish line, made music in the shivering cold, cheered each other on to a victory, and pushed on when they could have stood still. This year's class of 124 seniors could best be remembered for their prominent academic achievements, consisting of 86 honor graduates. There is no doubt that the class of nineteen hundred and ninety-seven will never be forgotten.*

*Cherad Woodyard*

# 1997

## nineteen ninety-seven

After Graduation some of the guys took a minute to pose together before leaving for the nearest parties. (Above): The Senior Class of 1997. (Below): Sweethearts Adam Jones and Cherad Woodyard enjoy having a few last pictures taken together.



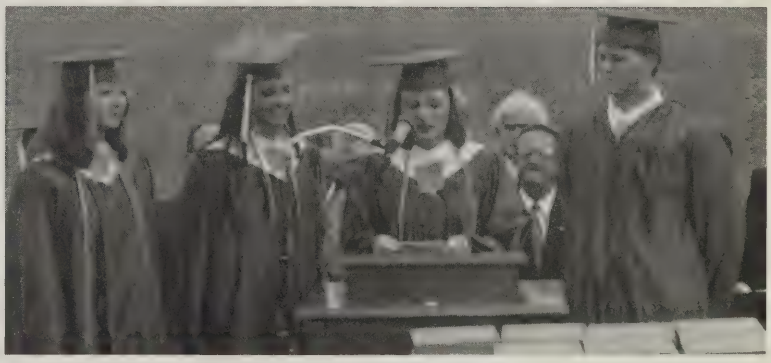
Buddies Stuart Davis and Tripp Bane pose for the camera after Graduation. (Above): Adam Jeffers proudly smiles as he prepares to receive his diploma! (Right): Graduate Aaron Albert and Government teacher Mr. McGraw Pose together for a picture.

Honor graduate Nichole Jones diploma from Principal Steve have a final grade point aver- Jason Porterfield was just tion!

Jamie Jennell . . . Valedictorian.

Michele Johnston and Megan Noble . . . Co-salutatorians.

graciously receives her
Fitch. Honor graduates must
age of a 3.5 or higher. (Right):
hangin' around after gradua-



Brianna Robinson, Jessica Bowman, Jenny Burn, and Laura Martin all smile with diplomas, flowers, and cards in their hands. Senior class president Jessica Clark presents the class gift, a new trophy case, as class officers Shannon Bohn, Jamie Jennell, and Jason Jennelle look on. Copy and layout design by Cherad Woodyard.

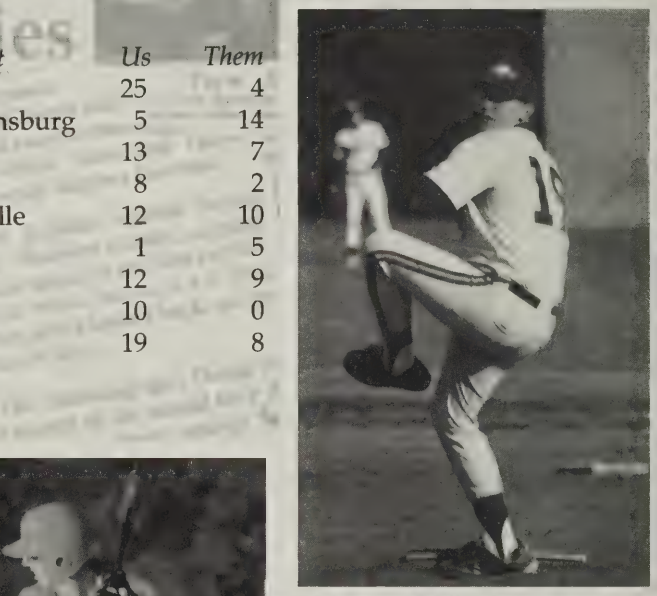
# Varsity Baseball

Jon Bostic, Philip Hilton, Zach Whitsett, Lee Pyles, Scott Minnick, Seth Bandy, Chris Bates, B.J. Thompson, Ben Brown, Jason Martin, B.J. Evans, Adam Jones, Chris Ratcliffe, Andy French, Justin Bostic, Chris Hutchison, Jason Tickle

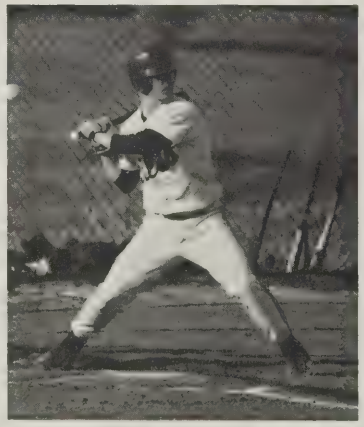
The Varsity Baseball team was loaded with talent this year. Whether it was at the plate, on the mound, in the field, or from the dugout, each player contributed to the team's success. With help from the superb Spartan coaching staff of Bruce Frazier, Stacy Hutchison, and Marty Brown, the team finished with a 14-4 winning record. The season was full of exciting comebacks, major blowouts, and some fine playing. Although the team did not advance in the district tournament, head coach Bruce Frazier admits, "They worked really hard . . . Although we fell a little short, I'm very proud of them."

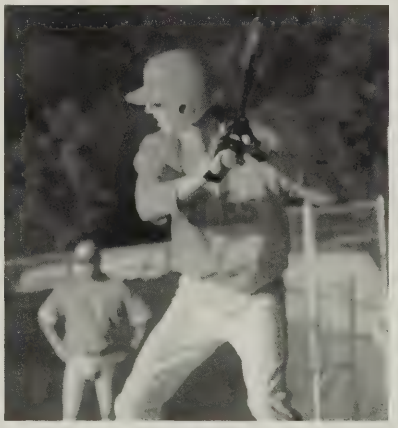
Congratulations to the All-District performers. Giles provided three 1st team members: Chris Hutchison (CF), Scott Minnick (DH), and Chris Ratcliffe (Utility); three 2nd team members: Chris Bales (3B), Ben Brown (SS), and Zach Whitsett (P), and two honorable mention players: Adam Jones and B.J. Evans. Congratulations to the following players for team-voted awards: Chris Hutchison (MVP), Chris Ratcliffe (Captain), and Andy French (Spartan Award).

| *Opponent* | *Us* | *Them* | *Opponent* | *Us* | *Them* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Craig | 11 | 1 | Auburn | 25 | 4 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 8 | 4 | Christiansburg | 5 | 14 |
| Craig | 8 | 7 | Radford | 13 | 7 |
| Narrows | 28 | 6 | Glenvar | 8 | 2 |
| Christiansburg | 3 | 4 | Shawsville | 12 | 10 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 23 | 3 | Glenvar | 1 | 5 |
| Shawsville | 12 | 11 | Floyd | 12 | 9 |
| Floyd | 6 | 10 | Auburn | 10 | 0 |
| Narrows | 13 | 4 | Radford | 19 | 8 |



**One Versatile Player** — Senior Chris Ratcliffe enjoyed playing time at second base, third base, shortstop, and on the mound for the Spartans this year.





**Throwin' Heat** — Junior Zach Whitsett fires one in the mitt. Stepping up this year, Whitsett earned an impressive 6-0 record on the mound.

**Good Eye** — Senior Justin Bostic watches a bad pitch got by at Narrows.

**Ready to Rock** — Junior Scott Minnick prepares to smack a pitch at Radford University's Dedmon Center.

Layout Design — Michele Johnston

**Consider Him Out** — B.J. Evans, a senior, catches a Glenvar runner off guard at second base.

**Ready for Action** — Senior Chris Bales anticipates the ball in his direction at third base.

**A Phenomenal Season** — Hutchison's stats for this season are almost unheard of. With 18 homers, 52 RBIs, and a .650 average, he earned the first Triple Crown in All-Timesland. His other honors include: District Player of the Year, Member of VHSL All-Star Team, All-Timesland Player of the Year, First Team All-Region, First Team All-State.

**Here's the Pitch** — Senior Ben Brown takes his turn on the mound against Radford at home.

**Walking Away a Winner** — the team walks to the dugout after congratulating a homerun hitter.

# J.V. Baseball

| *Opponent* | *Us* | *Them* |
|---|---|---|
| Craig | 12 | 2 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 12 | 5 |
| Craig | 13 | 5 |
| Christiansburg | 2 | 7 |
| Princeton | 6 | 13 |
| Ft. Chiswell | 15 | 9 |
| Shawsville | 27 | 9 |
| Floyd | 7 | 10 |
| Auburn | 12 | 2 |
| Christiansburg | 5 | 6 |
| Radford | 28 | 10 |
| Pikeview | 9 | 5 |
| Glenvar | 6 | 5 |
| Shawsville | 15 | 4 |
| Glenvar | 6 | 13 |
| Floyd | 12 | 2 |
| Auburn | 9 | 13 |
| Radford | 9 | 0 |

Row 1: C. Batson, BJ Smith, T. Jones, J. Smith, P. Sutphin, C. Steele, S. Moye, B. Hilton Row 2: D. Carbaugh (mgr.), B. Smith, C. Condrey, C. Sutphin, A. Sisler, R. Tawney, J. Ratcliffe, J. Neice, P. Tickle, Ja. Williams, CJ Wiliams (mgr.) Row 3: Coach Jarrod Hines, Jo. Williams, M. Woodyard, E. Price, R. Rhodes, J. Jennelle, S. Radford, R. Hodge, J. Edwards, A. Ratcliffe, D. Collins — not pictured: C. Price, Coaches D. Meredith and R. Hilton

Eighth grader Rebbeca Dalton is getting in position to throw the shot put.

Seniors Megan Noble and Lori Talbert put their best foot forward as they out run an out jump their competition.

# Girls Track Team

## Scores

Varsity:

| Place | Scores |
|---|---|
| Radford (TRD) | 1st of 6 |
| Radford | 1st of 3 |
| Floyd | 1st of 3 |
| Christiansburg (Inv.) | 1st of 3 |
| Giles | 1st of 3 |
| Giles | 1st of 3 |
| George Wyth. | 1st of 4 |
| Radford | 1st of 5 |
| Auburn | 1st of 3 |
| Patrick Henry (Inv.) | 3rd of 13 |
| Auburn | 1st of 5 |

First row: Mary Sweeney, Lori Marion, Katee Meredith, Rylee Rhodes, April Meredith, Julie Wood, Crystal Perdue, Nichole Sheperd, Dan Young, Jessica Draper, Jessica Caldwell. Second row: Patience St. Leger, Ashley Downer, Miranda Ratcliffe, A.J. Kennedy, Brandy Gautier, Tammy Whittaker, Pam Riggs, Courtney McGuire, Sara Wilson, Charity Peters, Amy Merix. Third row: Coach Rusty Kelley, Leslie Houck, Lori Talbert, Carrie Williams, Megan Noble, Amber Jones, Wendy Snidow, Freedom Kelly, Beth Green, Jackie Phillips, Coach Layne, Coach Hubbard.

## Scores

Eighth Grade:

| Place | Scores |
|---|---|
| Giles | 1st of 2 |
| Floyd | 1st of 4 |
| Giles | 1st of 4 |
| George Wyth. | 1st of 2 |
| Radford | 3rd of 5 |
| Glenvar (TRD) | 3rd of 6 |

First row: Jesica White, Amanda Price, Jennifer Butler, Patti Talbert, Rachel Sanders, Erin Weigan, Amanda Stevers. Second row: Kelley Young, Kaila Condrey, Alisha Lucas, Alisha Laffon, Lanette Patterson, Crystal Johnson, Rachel Howard. Third row: Coach Layne, Jamie Johnson, Ashley St. Claire, Mary Ellen Miller, Rebecca Dalton, Vanessa Dunford, Coach Hubbard.

Eighth grader Jennifer Butler stretches with all her strength to keep from knocking off the high jump bar.

Senior Megan Noble has a smooth landing after a big effort in the triple jump. Megan is a big contributor to the Girls varsity track team.

Junior Tarah Phillips is giving her all in this relay. Tarah always does her best to help the track team.

Senior Jodi Mullin's face shows the determination she had in this throw.

Sophomore Katee Meredith looks on to see where the disk is going to land after her release.

Senior Lori Talbert looks as if all the energy she has left is going to her effort to land as far in the pit as she can during her triple jump attempt.

While throwing the shot put Senior Tommy Workman concentrates on his form and technique.

Eighth grader Terrance Grogan is soaring high, during a home track meet. Grogan concentrates on his long jump technique, while hoping to score points for his team.

# Boys Track Teams

## SCORES

Varsity

| Site | Place |
|---|---|
| Giles | 1st of 3 |
| Wytheville | 2nd of 4 |
| Radford | 1st of 3 |
| Auburn | 4th of 5 |
| Inv. Christiansburg | 2nd of 5 |
| Floyd | 2nd of 3 |
| Inv. Patrick Henry | 7th of 15 |
| Radford | 2nd of 3 |
| Giles | 2nd of 3 |
| Auburn | 1st of 3 |
| Radford TRD | 2nd of 6 |

Front row (l-r): Adam Jeffers, Jeremy Saunders, Jason Poterfield, Steven Hypes, Tommy Workman, Raymond Songer, and Brian Lambert. Second row: Olaah Perry, Michael Peoples, Scott Hetherington, Timmy Snider, Derek Lang, Brandon Williams, Derek Wilson, Emanuel Young, and Jeffrey Dickerson. Third row: Michael Stafford, Travis Cline, Shaun Vaught, Micah Steele, Joey Rankin, Michael Lucas, Richard Neice, and Shaun Wimmer. Fourth row: David Taylor, Brooks Taylor, Jermiah Stevers, Darren Law, Steven Linkous, Danny Washman, Casey Overturf, and Jason Lucas. Back row: Coach Huffman, Andy Bowden, Ace Godrey, Mac Harvey, Michael Whorley, Kevin Munsey, and Coach Ellison.

## SCORES

Eighth Grade

| Site | Place |
|---|---|
| Giles | 2nd of 2 |
| Floyd | 1st of 4 |
| Giles | 2nd of 4 |
| George Wythe | 2nd of 2 |
| Radford | 4th of 5 |
| Glenvar TRD | 4th of 6 |

Front row (l-r): Michael Van Hoosier, Terrance Grogan, Anthony Hayden, Adam Vittim, and Ben Cassidy. Second row: Eric Taylor, R.J. Meador, Cody Condry, Jean Meredith, Justin Williams, Will Topp. Back row: Coach Huffman, Airel Ramos, Jeremy Poterfield, Travis Oaks, Josh Davis, Jason Green, and Coach Ellison.

Eighth grader Josh Davis hurdles himself towards the long jump pit.

Junior Shaun Vaught loosens up his muscles before running the 400 for the district home meet against Floyd and Glenvar.

Senior Jeremy Saunders focuses on his shot put techniques during a home meet. Jeremy finished the year by setting a new school record in shot put.

Junior Tee Peoples makes his way over the high jump bar. Tee's persistence and hard work has paid off enabling him to earn 1st place in the high jump at many meets this year.

Senior Brian Lambert strecthes to get his best jump of the season in the long jump.

Senior Adam Jeffers give it his all, as he competes in shot put during a home meet.

# TENNIS

SCOREBOARD

| | |
|---|---|
| Narrows | 9-0, 8-1 |
| George Wythe | 3-6 |
| Christiansburg | 7-2 |
| Floyd | 4-5, 5-4 |
| Princeton | 4-5 |
| Radford | 2-7, 3-6 |
| Glenvar | 2-7, 4-5 |
| Pulaski | 3-6, 1-8 |

## BOYS

1st row: Matthew Thompson, Timmy Carbaugh, Jamie Perdue, Daniel Robinson 2nd row: David Hobbs, Jerry Smith, Timmy Saunders, Russell Bowling, Andy Johnston, Evan Bowling

Congratulations to Russell and Evan Bowling for placing second in doubles in state competition. Russell also finished second in state singles competition.

Left: Andy Johnston gets his tennis racquet in place as he waits to smash the ball over the net with his backhand. Right: Timmy Carbaugh displays excellent form as he focuses on winning another match.

Far left: Amy Ryder gracefully sends the ball right back to her opponent in a close match. Amy was named the Most Valuable Player, with an 11-0 season. Left: Jamie Jennell and Holly McCall, the top doubles team, confer at the net after winning a well-earned point. Right: The team relaxes in the locker room before heading out for a fun match against Radford.

# GIRLS

1st row: Deanna Martin, Sarah Lucas, Holly McCall, Amanda Meredith 2nd row: Dawn St. Clair, Jamie Jennell, Heather Austin, Amy Ryder, Tiffany Bowman 3rd row: Assistant Coach Pam Monk, Shannon Bohn, Julie Keating, Angela Fraley, Michele Johnston, Coach Rakes

## SCOREBOARD

| | |
|---|---|
| Narrows | 7-2 |
| Christiansburg | 7-2 |
| Shawsville | 8-1, 8-1 |
| Floyd | 9-0, 8-1 |
| Auburn | 9-0, 9-0 |
| Radford | 4-5, 4-5 |
| Glenvar | 9-1, 7-2 |

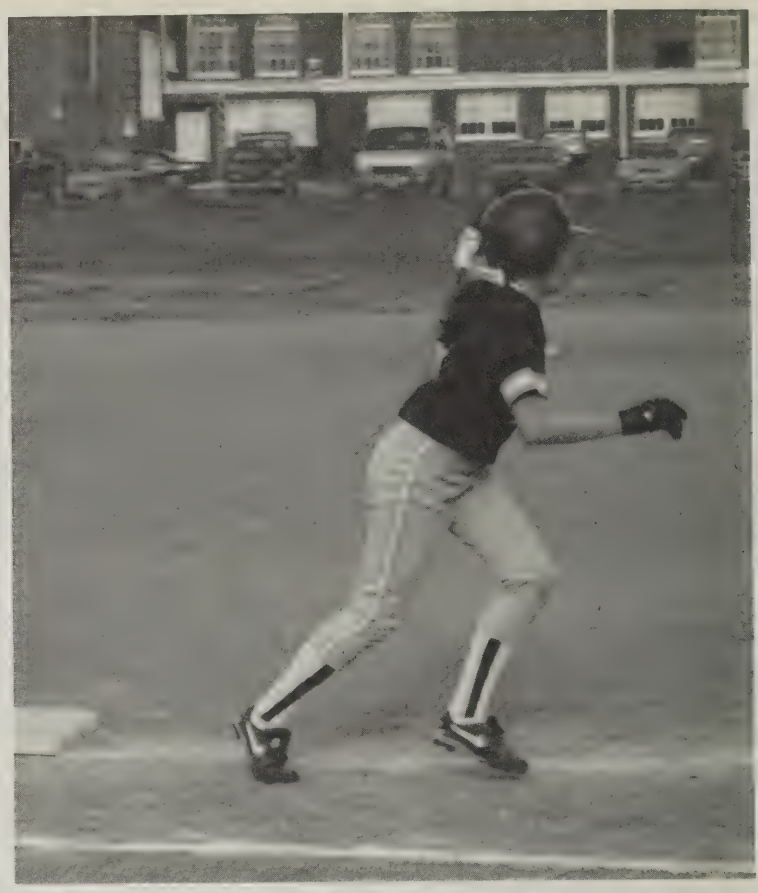
Congratulations to the Girl's Tennis Team for a winning season and to those who participated in the District tournament!

Left: Seniors, Michele Johnston, Julie Keating, and Jamie Jennell, led the team this year as the top three needed players. Right: Julie Keating extends outward to connect with the ball, as she sends it sailing back to her opponent's side of the court.

The first
Giles
year team
Lady
worked hard
Softball
and can
be proud.

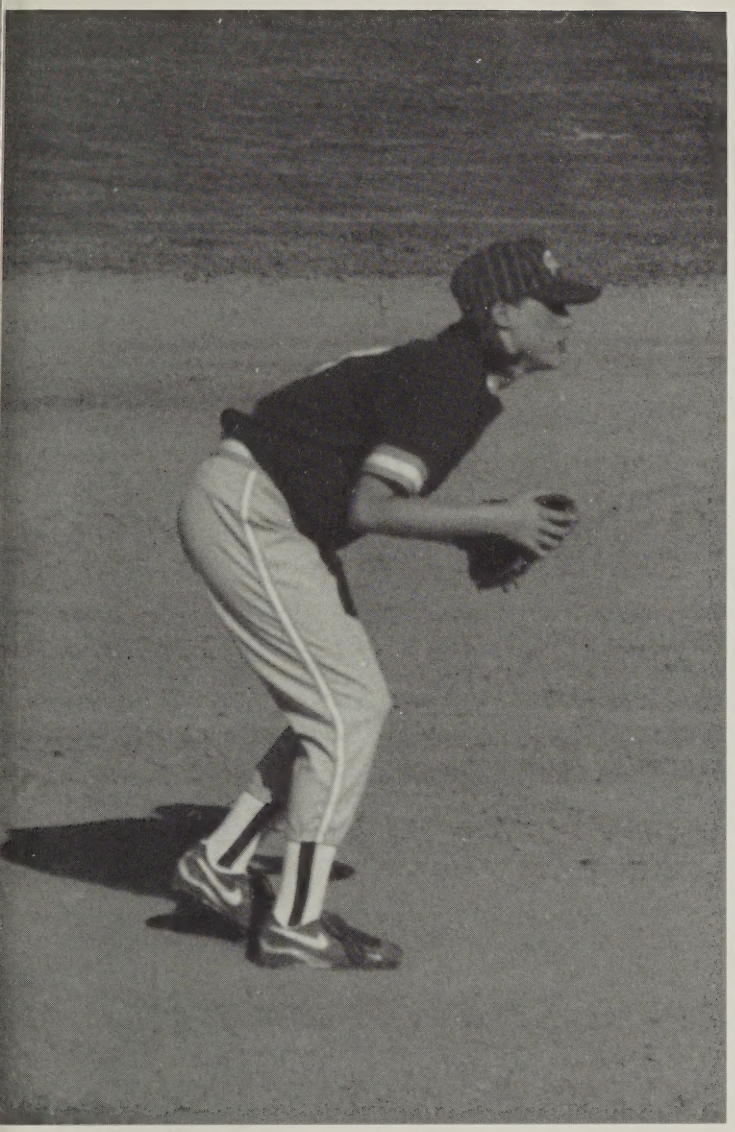
**Almost home!**
Junior April Lucas rounds third to make her way home, in hopes to score a run for the team.

**I got it!**
Senior Whitney Matlock gets her self set up to catch a ball.



**Bad to the Bone!**
The three captains and seniors of the team stop to show some attitude before the first home game.

**Here it comes!**
Junior Sheri Miller crouches down in her third base position in anticipation of a ground ball that might come her way.



# FOR THE RECORD

| | Us | Them |
|---|---|---|
| Craig | 19 | 22 |
| Craig | 27 | 10 |
| Fort Chiswell | 12 | 15 |
| George Wythe | 10 | 14 |
| Floyd | 1 | 26 |
| Auburn | 10 | 15 |
| Pulaski | 6 | 10 |
| Christiansburg | 0 | 11 |
| Christiansburg | 2 | 12 |
| Glenvar | 4 | 23 |
| Pulaski | 6 | 12 |
| Fort Chiswell | 10 | 22 |
| Floyd | 5 | 15 |
| Glenvar | 0 | 13 |
| Auburn | 7 | 37 |

**Get Ready!**
Senior Amy Wilson gets in her catching position and waits for the pitch.

Back row: Coach Kelly, Getsy DeBord, Ashley Jameson, [illegible] Dowdy, Crystal Whittaker, Crystal Manning, Trina Stanford, Regina Dove, Sheri Miller, Heather Harry, Holly Johnson, Emily Meredith, Katrina Rust, Coach Wilson. Front row: Ashley, Erin Williams, April Lucas, Carrie Blankenship, Donna Medley, Sara Davis, Karrah Dunn, Whitney Matlock, Amy Wilson, Elaine Groseclose, Leslie Williams, Ameila Tuckwiller, Rachel Mann.

**Smile!**
Juniors Heather Harry and Erin Williams and Sophomore Rachel Mann stop to smile for the camera before a game against Glenver.

**Perfect Form!**
The pitcher Regina Dove lets loose of a pitch for another strike out.

# Scores

Freshmen Chris Perdue walks down the field for the next play.

| | US | THEM |
|---|---|---|
| Floyd | 5 | 0 |
| Tazwell | 9 | 1 |
| Radford | 1 | 0 |
| G. Wythe | 4 | 1 |
| Pulaski | 0 | 1 |
| Pulaski | 0 | 5 |
| Glenvar | 2 | 1 |
| Tazwell | 7 | 0 |
| G. Wythe | 2 | 1 |
| Floyd | 5 | 1 |
| Glenvar | 4 | 1 |
| Radford | 6 | 0 |
| Glenvar | 4 | 1 |
| Glenvar | 3 | 1 |
| *Brentsville | 0 | 4 |

* State

Front row: Chris Perdue, Ried Nicolson, Kelly Keffler, Leslie Perdue, Andrew Simmons, Zeb Bowden, Ben Miller, David Claytor, Joey Ryder, Pippi Miller, Jenny Burn. Second Row: Coach Roe, Amanda McCrosky, Jason Butler, Michael Hartley, Ben Howard, Jason Taylor, Chris Morris, Robbie Claytor, Landon Cassidy, Timmy Sutphin, Brett Nicholson, Russ Johnston, Matt Whitehead, Coach Schmidt.

Seniors Landon Cassidy, Robb Claytor, Matt Whitehead, Brett Nic olson celebrate their last senior vi tory as TRD Champs.

# The GHS Soccer Team Goes to STATE!

The soccer teams senior members hold up the trophy in celebration of their new victory.

Senior Landon Cassidy, Matt Whitehead and junior Ben Miller defend off the Floyd Buffaloes.